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seed



IT'S UP
TO THE
WOMEN
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SKIP WILLIAMSON

to be a woman and free

Notes for a more efficient sleeping for mommy program.

A year after hearing about it, I've finally started to read *Sisterhood is Powerful*. I've often sat down with it but a young male keeps interrupting. (By the way, it's been a year since I had a hot cup of tea). Anyway tonight I'm supposed to be writing this article so I pushed myself to look for ideas and quotes.

I started with Beverly Jones "The Dynamics of Marriage and Motherhood" thinking it dealt with straight, legal relationships. What a relief to be reassured that what I'm going through doesn't stem from ME as a person. "We aren't sick, we're oppressed."

As a "liberated" woman living with a "liberated" man I've often considered our relationship healthier than straight marriage. Yet I'm not surprised to know I'm suffering from the "Tired Mother Syndrome." Symptoms (see if they match yours)—muscles ache, more pain if touched, cold, can't get warm; shaky; sees things that aren't quite there; bumps into things; forgotten how to have a conversation; cries easily.

Incidentally, you don't have to be a mother or even married, it's sufficient to be a hassled female.

Some questions for all you mothers: how much more sleep does your old man get? Are you aware of resenting his sleeping? Have you ever thought that sleeping is symptomatic of your entire relationship? Who hears the baby first? Who's never able to completely relax?

It just occurred to me that even when it's his turn to get up with the baby, I have to wake him up (2 or 3 nagging times) and then often stay awake to answer questions or get up to find the missing baby bottle. For some reason he can't crawl under the crib. Why am I the only one who can instinctively find a bottle in the dark without my glasses?

Lately, I've been a bitch. My love asks for a 9 a.m. call only to tell me that he's awake but isn't getting up so stop bothering him. Quite a few times his rationale for missing his breakfast turns out to be he was out till 4 in the morning. Somehow the baby never listens to me when I tell him that. The kid always insists on getting up anyway.

I sound bitter, even to myself. Today I have more freedom than 6 months ago and my old man does try. But dammit I'm aware now of my pain and frustration. I understand now as I never could before the black's demand for equality NOW! What good will it do me in 2 years, when I've become an expert in babytalk? What good will it do my old man not to deal with our problems now? If forced to wait, I'll only hate him and want out of a relationship that has much potential. Besides, I love him, I want our life together to develop more meaning & beauty.

It seems there should be more gatherings to discuss our oppression and what causes our men to oppress us. For all of us to be free we must strike at the roots of this poisonous growth. If we demand freedom without understanding that our men are not free either, what can we expect? To be free without men? While I love my sisters I would like to love my brothers too. And yet, painful as the decision is to make, I chose to live as a person, as a woman. So, my love, I must remind you that in this revolution there are no spectators. PLEASE JOIN ME.

--Anne Oldham

sisters in print

One indication of the rising tide of the womens movement all over the country has been the advent of women's newspapers--Rat in New York, Everywoman in Los Angeles, Ain't I a Woman in Iowa, Off Our Backs in Washington, D.C. and many, many others. Up to now, Chicago has been backward in this regard. But in the last two weeks, the women's movement in Chicago has blossomed forth with not one--but two women's papers.

THE FEMINIST VOICE is being put out by an independent women's collective to serve as a channel of communication between the women's groups in Chicago--and as a forum for the creative expression of women (art, poetry, fic-

tion, photography), for research and analysis of women's issues & for analysis of general issues from a feminist perspective. Their paper will be published monthly and is interested in contributions of all kinds--including new staff members. Their mailing address is THE FEMINIST VOICE, P.O. Box 11144, 227 East Ontario Ave. Chgo, Ill. Subs are \$3 a year.

A work group of the Chicago Women's Liberation Union is also putting out a monthly women's paper, WOMANKIND. Their paper features information about the Women's Union's activities (see page 23 of this issue for info. on their fall liberation school) poetry, and analysis of how the state of the economy affects wo-

men. It also contains a calendar of events for the month. They are also looking for all kinds of articles by women and for more staff members. Their mailing address is WOMANKIND c/o CWLU, 852 W. Belmont, Chgo, Ill. 60657. Subs are \$4 for one year.

SIREN, an anarcho-feminist journal which has published two issues, is attempting to put together a third. They need \$\$\$ to do so. They can be contacted c/o the Seed, 950 W. Wrightwood, Chgo, Ill. 60614.

The Seed welcomes our sister papers to the scene in Chicago--it's long overdue that Chicago women had some publications they could call their own.

women's directory

- ABORTION COUNSELLING 643-3844
- ABORTION CLINICS:
 - East Side (N.Y.) (212)260-1200
 - University (N.Y.) (212)861-9000
- ACTION COMMITTEE FOR DECENT CHILD CARE 538-3063
- CARES (Co-op Abortion Refer) 726-3134
- CHOICE, INC:
 - Pregnancy Testing (free) 775-2686
 - Abortion Referral 774-6911
- CHICAGO CHILD CARE REFERENCE COMMITTEE 549-4789
- CHICAGO GAY ALLIANCE CENTER 664-4708
- CHICAGO WOMEN'S LIBERATION UNION (CWLU) 348-2011
- GAY WOMENS CAUCUS 944-8393
- LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS Ce-6-0315
- LIBERATION SCHOOL 348-2011
- LUTHERN WOMEN'S CAUCUS 251-5629
- ILLINOIS ABORTION COALITION 427-4844
- JANE 643-3844
- NATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN (NOW) 324-3067
- PLANNED PARENTHOOD (birth control information) 726-5134

- PRIDE & PREJUDICE BOOKSTORE 477-4373
- PREGNANCY TESTING (free) 477-4373
- SISTER CENTER 262-2720
- SISTERHOOD (ERA) 248-5776
- UNITED WOMENS CONTINGENT 427-7055
- VENEREAL DISEASE CLINIC (Free) 842-0222
- WOMENS LIBERATION ROCK BAND 348-2011
- WOMEN OPPOSED TO THE PILL 726-8685
- WOMEN MOBILIZED FOR CHANGE Fr-2-6600
- WOMENS CAUCUS-CHICAGO CONNECTIONS (prison group) 386-5981
- WOMEN'S CAUCUS- NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD 641-1905
- WELFARE RIGHTS ORG. 538-7996
- TRIAL (repeal abortion laws) 248-1600
- WOODLAWN SISTERHOOD 684-1237 or 363-9851

See page 15 of this issue of the Seed for an article on vaginitis-yeast infections.

PORNOGRAPHIC OPERA

Dead skin all over my body
Crusty at every oriface
Your mouth wound pours its liquids
Tries to moisten me
Tries to lubricate my dead skin.

I tried to smile
But my face was cracking
I tried to feel
But life was lacking
Your fingers on my breasts did nothing
To my dead skin

When you put your cock in
You could have put your sock in
Or a box of Lipton's tea
It was all the same to me

When you tongued my clitoris
I was thinking that the dishes were not done
Walking through a storm of soap flakes
Waiting for the hot water to run
Waiting for my flaking skin to run

You come in my eyes but I don't see you
The music of your member has no tone
All I smell is high school's first gardenia
It came in a white box
It came in a white box
It came in a white box

Dead skin all over my body
I used to think that it would go away
Anyway, it doesn't matter
You can still take your pleasure in
My dead skin.

--Melody Brennan
Everywoman.

ALICE IN ACIDLAND--PART FOUR

Continued from last issue

"Wake up Alice! Wake up!"

Alice drowsily rubbed her eyes and tried to sit up. Her older sister Mary Ellen was pulling the covers off of her and dragging her feet off the bed and onto the floor.

"It's only six o'clock!" she protested, "why do I have to get up now?"

"Today's the day you were going to look for work--you've got to get to places early, or else they won't even talk to you," Mary Ellen explained.

"Okay, all right already, stop shaking me, I'm awake!"

Alice got up, washed her face, dressed and went back out to the living room where Mary Ellen was sitting. "Do you think it would be wise to take some of that acid again? Everytime I do, things never work out the way that I supposed that they would?"

"It's up to you," Mary Ellen said--"I think it would be most instructive. And you're not going to get a job on your first try anyway, so why don't you just see what you can learn from it?"

"Oh," Alice sighed (disappointed at the prospect of not getting a job soon, "allright."

The night before, Alice had gone out to the newstand to get the morning papers. She stayed up late reading the want-ads and circling what seemed to be likely prospects.

So there she was, Monday morning, 7:30 on the bus downtown to the employment agency. Their ad said that they had lots of jobs for women--especially beginners, "no experience necessary." When she got to the block that the agency was on, the sign on the door was so small that she walked right by it at first. Then she backtracked and found it, carefully climbing up two flights of stairs to the small and dingy office.

"Well," she said to herself as she looked around, "this is hardly what I expected--but as long as they get me a job, I guess it doesn't matter what the place looks like. Still, you would think they would clean it once in a while--there's even spiderwebs in the corner!"

Before she could say another word, she was surrounded by three heavysset sweating men. "Can we help you?" they all said, almost in unison.

"Well....I came to get a job. And I..."

"Right this way...."

"No, no, right this way...."

"No, no, come with me..."

Alice was confused. The three men started arguing about which of them would talk to her.

"You got the last one, George," one of them said.

"Yeah, but I didn't make a placement--ya don't get no commission for just talking to 'em."



"Look," Alice broke in, "I'll talk to you (pointing to the first man who had spoke)--I just want a job, it doesn't make any difference to me which of you I speak to."

The other two men walked away muttering.

"Right this way," Alice was again told.

Alice was escorted into a little alcove in the back of the office. The man pulled out numerous forms--it seemed like reams and reams of them.

"Let's get the preliminaries out of the way first," he said. "Just fill in your name address, phone and type of position desired on this form, sign it and give me the fee."

"Fee!" Alice exclaimed, "what do you mean?"

"Well, we don't do this just for our health, you know--there's a \$30 fee that you have to pay to be registered with us. We have many contacts in the business world and have placed people in many high salaried positions. Jobs aren't that easy to come by, you know. Remember: it's your future."

"Well," Alice said, biting her lip, "I do have the money to pay you in my checking account--I got some money for my birthday--so I could pay you the fee and then put the money back in when I get my first paycheck...."

"NOW you're talking," the man said, "Just make the check out for \$30 to Acme employ-

ment agency."

And Alice did as she was told.

"Now, let's see what we've got today," the man said, looking through a file folder. "Key punch operator. Computer programmer, airline stewardess...Have any skills? Any training?"

"Well, I can type and I...."

"Just about everyone who comes in here can type. Know anything else?"

"Well, I...."

"Look, we just haven't gotten any calls today for jobs that don't require skills or experience," the man recited, "so why don't you go home for now and come in or call me tomorrow to see if I have anything."

"WHAT!" Alice exclaimed--"here I've already paid my fee and you don't have anything to tell me at all!"

"Now calm down--I'll get you an interview with a company in a day or two. Don't worry, I'll set up some interviews."

"You are going to get me a job, aren't you?" Alice pleaded.

"Now, we can't guarantee anything, you understand. It's up to the employer to decide whether or not to hire...."

"Well, of all the nerve...." Alice began.

"Jobs are hard to come by. Why I haven't placed anyone myself in over two weeks," the man said, "you're not the only one looking for a job you know. Here--take a look!" And he opened a desk drawer and showed Alice a stack of three hundred applications. "All of these are people who came in just recently."

"AND YOU TOOK MONEY FROM EACH OF THEM," Alice shouted angrily--"this is fraud."

"Calm down honey," the man said, stepping back and looking Alice up and down. "If you really need a job that bad, we could probably work something out."

"Really?" Alice said, "you mean you can get me a job after all?"

"We can probably work something out. If you're free tonight maybe you could come over to my place for dinner and we can talk about it." The man stood there and smiled and leered and smiled and leered. Alice watched in horrified amazement as the man grew chubbier before her eyes and pinker and...before she knew it, he had changed into apig! The huge pig oinked several times, relieved itself on the ground and jumped into her arms, nudging her chest with its snout. Alice threw the pig down and ran down the stairs and all the way home.

"How did it go today, Alice?" Mary Ellen asked her.

"You wouldn't believe me if I told you," Alice said.

"Oh, I don't know about that."

"At any rate, that's the last time I go to an employment agency--tomorrow I'm going to try my own luck."

--Bernie

NEXT ISSUE: ALICE'S NEW JOB

ALICE IN ACIDLAND

BLOOD PAIN & CONCRETE

Late, late one night--tripping on mescline, walking home with a friend--and right near my house we run into a 31 year old black man named Tim. "Would you like me to draw a picture of you? Only \$1!" he says, explaining that he's out trying to get money to feed his family. When he turns around we see that his neck is bleeding, the blood is running down his back, soaking his shirt. So we go with him to the emergency room of Grant Hospital.

We walk in and the guard goes to wake the sleeping doctor. The sleeping doctor who is obviously upset that his sleep has been disturbed. Tim tries to explain his problem--and in two minutes, the doctor is saying: "You need a complete medical examination. Our lab isn't open now. Go to Cook County in the morning." Can he at least bandage the wound? "No, if I do, then this hospital would be responsible for whatever happens." Would he give us a bandage so that Tim can bandage his wound himself? No. Cook County in the morning. That's the place for poor Black folks. Let me go back to sleep, the doctor says with every irritated word he utters.

"I've been to Cook County," Tim says, "and..." The doctor doesn't want to listen.

Tim has syphilis. Tim shot some heroin to try to ease his pain, because the County hospital wouldn't give him any painkillers. Tim was at County hospital. Waiting all day. Coming back the next day. Missing work.

Then the doctor at County taps his chest once or twice and writes a prescription. "Next" Tim is ushered out. The nurse doesn't even know what the prescription says. No one even tells Tim what it is he has, what the pills are, how to take them, what his symptoms are and indicate. He gives up taking the pills after three days when nothing changes--no one told him he had to keep taking them for two weeks at least to get well. And Tim is standing in the emergency room of Grant hospital at 3 o'clock in the morning, explaining all this to the doctor. But the doctor doesn't want to listen--he throws Tim out on the street, tells him "how can we care for you if you don't care about yourself," even tells him "you're out of your mind."

Yeah. Tim's out of his mind. And the make-believe doctor goes back to sleep in the make-believe hospital--a fancy-ass million dollar building where they pretend to heal the sick. "I'd rather die out here on the street," Tim says.

So I tell Tim about the free health clinics. I ask him to call me the next day--I'll go with

him to Fritz Engelstein, because he's afraid that no matter where he goes, no one will take care of him.

But Tim never called. Maybe he got to a doctor himself. Maybe he's still walking around in the same condition, drawing amazingly life-like pictures for a dollar for people he meets. Or maybe he did die on the street.

Tim is--or was--an artist with more than his pen. He painted poems and visions and pictures with his angry and knowing words.

The night that Tim was thrown out of Grant Hospital, the subpoenas from the city board of health were already in the mail to the free health clinics, asking them to "show cause" why they should not be closed.

Amerika is a bum trip--a monstrous Dorian Grey....and the words can't even describe. And it's all real--it's not a hallucination at all. We can't afford any more to retreat into a dream fantasy world--getting high all the time, just looking for good times, good vibes...Too many of us respond to the word "politics" by saying "rhetoric"--when what it's really all about is a black man standing on the streets of Chicago in 1971 bleeding with no place to go.

--Bernie

WEATHER

COMMUNIQUE



The Following is a communique the Seed received from the Weather Underground:

They've pushed me over the line from which there can be no retreat. I know that they will not be satisfied until they've pushed me out of this existence altogether.

On Saturday, August 21, 1971, George Jackson, Black warrior, revolutionary leader, political prisoner, was shot dead by racist forces at San Quentin. Murdered for what he had become: Soledad Brother, soldier of his people, rising up through torment and torture, tyranny and injustice, unwilling to bow or bend to his oppressors. George Jackson died with his eyes fixed clearly on freedom.

Tonight the offices of the California prison system in San Francisco and Sacramento were attacked. One outraged response to the assassination of George Jackson.

There are still some Blacks here who consider themselves criminals—but not many. Believe me my friend, with the time and incentive that these brothers have to read, study and think, you will find no class or category more aware, more embittered, desperate or dedicated to the ultimate remedy—revolution. The most dedicated, the best best of our kind—you'll find them in the Folsoms, San Quentins and Soledads.

The prisons are part of a strategy of colonial warfare being waged against the Black population. For over a hundred years, the U.S. government has tried to "civilize" the continents of Africa, Asia and Latin America. For the same reasons, the government has stolen the land and labor and attempted to rip apart the culture of Black People. Originally kidnapped from Africa to work the plantations of the South Black people today are being torn from their families and communities to be incarcerated in slave labor camps. Under the Slavery and Emancipation Act of 1866, slavery and involuntary servitude were abolished for everyone except convicted convicts. Accordingly, the prison system of this country is run at a profit, with prisoners paid pennies an hour to produce everything from shoes to missile parts. Like in Vietnam, where "rebellious" populations have been "relocated" to strategic hamlets and tiger cages, the rebels of Watts, Harlem, Detroit, Hough have been shipped to places called San Quentic, the Tombs, Parish Prison and Cook County Jail—concentration camps whose sole purpose is to crush the spirit of resistance in the Black population.

Inside are those who have fought back against the white armies which occupy their communities, those who have experienced the slow death of heroin, those who have not accepted hunger, unemployment and racism as a normal way of life. Fifty percent of the prison population of Califor-

nia is Black and Brown. There are more Black men in prison than in college. Once in jail, the point is to keep them there. Thousands of prisoners are serving indeterminate sentences—one year to life is the required California sentence for robbery. There is a high price for parole—that of utter subservience to daily racism and indignities. Prisoners must accept arbitrary transfers, denial of visitation rights without explanation, inhumane medical treatment, atrocious food, overcrowding and rampant brutality. They must accept continual denial of parole by white Adult Authority members. George Jackson was denied parole many times between 1961 and 1969, although his only "crime" was a \$70 gas station robbery. If a prisoner becomes identified as a militant, as an agitator, the Adjustment Center awaits. In San Quentin's Maximum Security Adjustment Center, almost all the prisoners are Black and Brown. The guards and trustees are almost all white. It is in this wing that Fleeta Drumgo, John Clutchette and Ruchell Magee are now being burned and beaten.

The colonial administrators of the system—"correction" officials, parole boards, youth boards, guards, adult authorities—are there to make sure that no freedom fighters get out: that those who are still unbroken remain inside, to be subjected to constant psychological and physical torture, and if necessary, to be assassinated...The execution of George Jackson is the North American prison system's final solution to the "problem" of Black resistance.

We reckon all time in the future from the day of the man-child's death...I want people to wonder at what forces created him, terrible, vindictive, cold, calm man-child....

The masters would have us believe that violence is a choice in the world, that the best of us choose non-violence as a means of change and that the deviants choose violence. The loudest cries for restraint and non-violence come from the throats of those bent on violence as a means of control. The Vietnamese are told to be non-violent from the cockpits of B-52s; Blacks are told to believe in progress while their children are systematically forced through schools where they are taught how NOT to read and write. So long as the master-slave relationship continues, violence will be a fact of life. Thousands of Black and Brown babies die of malnutrition and lead poisoning each year; one-third of all Puerto Rican women are sterilized in birth control experiments. Those who place the blame for violence upon those who resist this oppression are prolonging slavery. George Jackson was a humane man who had to use every means to fight for survival in a racist country. Violence, bloodshed, madness—this has always been the cry of the slave-

master after a rebellion. But these are words which describe those who crack the whips and maintain power by standing on the throats of others. It is not violent to reach for life, not mad to risk all for freedom.

Medgar Evers, Malcolm X, Bobby Hutton Brother Booker, W.L. Noland, M.L. King, Featherstone, Mark Clark and Fred Hampton—just a few who have already gone the way of the buffalo.

There is a pattern to this country's attempts to control colonial peoples. One of its chief weapons has been the periodic assassination of major leaders. From the murder of Patrice Lumumba in 1961 to the shooting down of Malcolm X in 1965, the targets are those who have assumed center stage in the struggle for Black Liberation at any given time. With rebellions throughout the prison system this past year, George Jackson had emerged as a key figure in the Black community—a spokesman for enraged men and women who are honing themselves for a fight to the death within this country's detention camps. Every prisoner throughout California had heard of Jackson; his execution represents a major attempt at mass propaganda—to convince the youth who are now entering the Folsoms and the Quentins that rebellion is hopeless, that those who inspire and lead will pay the price of death.

There must be a price for racist attacks, a higher price for murder. Mass actions outside the Tombs last year might have prevented the murder of two Puerto Rican prisoners a week after the rebellions. If Edward Hanrahan had been dealt with for the murder of Fred Hampton, James Parks might have thought twice before participating in the murder of George Jackson. Every prison official must learn to balance his actions with his desire for personal safety.

The history of Black people in this country has been one of passionate resistance to the slave masters. All too often, they have had to wage that fight alone. Black and Brown people inside the jails are doing all they can—must they fight alone even now? White people on the outside have a deep responsibility to enter the battle at every level. Each of us can turn our grief into righteous anger and our anger into action. Two small bombs do not cool our rage. We nurture that rage inside us. We view our actions as simply the first expression of our love and respect for George Jackson and the warriors of San Quentin.

I'll never forgive, I'll never forget, and if I'm guilty of anything at all it's of not leaning on them hard enough. War without terms.

Weather Underground.

In the beginning, god created the heavens and the earth and god saw that it was good and...well, to make a long story short, eventually some snake like serpent or serpentlike snake (we don't remember which) convinced a couple of naive people, Adam and Eve, to drop a strange fruit. This fruit really sent them on a far-out trip. Unfortunately daddy kicked the indulgent children out of the garden to fend for themselves. Due to the fact that they decided to follow the righteous path of evil (and after years and years and years of people begatting each other) so evolved the Seed. Hence we are here with Vol. 7 number 7 at 950 W. Wrightwood, 929-0133. Published bi-weekly.

Getting out this issue can be considered a small miracle because so many Seedlings were out in the sticks vacationing or in the confines of hospital walls. Just as it looked like we were doomed

to spending 25 hours a day working to get the issue out (and yet somewhat late) Mary Kaye strolled in a week early from Montanna. Then Poof! Rich materialized. Shortly after even Uncle Martin popped in. That's three down and three to go. Earl & Rita are still frolicking around in various places and Virginia (gone but not forgotten) is due to return soon...we hope.

This mast is dedicated to the fan-fucking streetsellers who never do get enough credit. (And to Kathy and Laura—sorry about that). Those who worked on the issue are Uncle Martin Mary Kaye, and Rich (welcome back you three) Becky and her lover King, Bernie, Jamie, Mitch, Leon, Mary, Cecilia, Gary (we love you). Kathy and Lou, Murf, Maralee, Rita, Peter, Johnny, Vodoo, A.S.S.H.O.L.E., Mitru, Ralph Salt, STP,

Steve, CAGLA, LNS, those great streetsellers and anyone else (including Gail) who accidentally got overlooked.

The Seed could really dig donations of any kind except dumb stuff like dead flies, holy underwear, or belly button lint. We don't need paperclips, rubber bands, staples or pencils—but other groups do, so if you send them to us, we'll distribute them.

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Hope everybody is always existing, forever present and functioning well.

and in the aftermath...

We were walking up Lincoln Avenue to the Community Dance two Saturdays ago. That was where we heard about George Jackson.

First you are in a state of shock. It may last only a minute or two, and then give way to a surreal shuffling of mental pictures, memories. I remember the gnawing feeling in my gut when Angela was busted last year. I remember Fred and the shock the impotence standing outside the church on a December day listening to hour after hour of eulogy/battle cry... Martin Luther King...the Orangeburg Massacre in 1968 when 3 black students were murdered trying to integrate a South Carolina bowling alley...I remember Selma Alabama, I was in high school in D.C. then and we all cut classes for a week to picket at the White House....the waves of outraged memories break just long enough to reestablish I am standing on Lincoln downstairs of the dance and all I can do at just that moment is go inside and dance, hatred into energy, got to dance to keep from crying....

Time returns rationality, a chance to think. The epochal events--the murders and losses on one side, our offensives and victories on the other--stand as a challenge to each of us. Tangible moments when the need for response, responses, collective consciousness and motion transcend any other situational demand.

....A few days after George's murder a couple of us are sitting around feeling low still, drained, remembering how then they murdered Fred two years ago we were unable to strike back, unable to organize even a successful rally from the white community. Feeling pretty wierd too, about having been at the dance when the news about George came in, there we were---1000 kids, political people and all that happened was an announcement of the news, no space in that situation for people to move, respond....How much longer will white people watch motionless as the state attacks black revolutionaries? Thinking then of George's life, how he became a living symbol of the black prisoner in Amerika's jails, how he and Jonathan are symbols of the struggle to destroy those jails. And we decided to organize a rally, to do it fast and visible, more than anything just to do it.

So 72 hardworking hours later we were 75 people marching with banners and war cry and angry song on the Cook County Jail. We stood across 26th street from the Jail tiers and chanted and spoke "Sisters & brothers in there, can you hear us?" and they answered us with a cheer "Right on!" and freaked out and stuck their fists and sheets and brooms through the bars. We stayed for a while and split in good spirit, small but mighty.

The next day was Saturday and we went down to the newstand and bought a paper, hoping to find some press on our humble rally. The first thing we hit on page three was BOMBS RIP THREE PRISON OFFICES IN CALIFORNIA happy to see everybody doing what they can....

And then Sunday we got up at 4 a.m. and drove four hours in the sunrise to Mount Vernon, Illinois where George's burial was taking place. Mount Vernon is a small and sleepy Southern Illinois town, heavy redneck country. When we got to the cemetery the procession with the casket hadn't arrived yet, only a handful of relatives and about ten Panthers in uniform who were serving as pallbearers. We were about the only white people there and were just hanging out by our car when this elderly black lady came over to us and smiled sadly and said "I'm George's auntie" and proceeded to shake each of our hands and then she said "Did you know my nephew?" and we all freaked out inside ourselves and there was no way to answer her, you know what I mean? By this time it was about 95 degrees, 10 a.m., humid and sultry and southern, very quiet in this small town Bethel Baptist graveyard--it is where Jonathan is buried also--the whole scene a marked contrast to the TV news footage we had seen the night before of the Oakland funeral, where Huey and Bobby spoke and its air of mass ritual.

The procession arrived in a cloud of dust and the ceremony started, very slow and informal. A minister from the National United Front spoke for a while about the prisons and racism, a heavy emotional sometimes wild rap and then he started to talk about religion and god and people finding the gods in themselves or something and Mrs. Jackson stepped to the edge of the grave and interrupted him "I don't want no preaching at my son's burial. My son didn't believe in no preaching. I asked you to

in san quentin

SAN FRANCISCO (LNS)--For three days after George Jackson was gunned down inside the San Quentin prison walls, no word came out to help people understand what had happened. There were only pronouncements of San Quentin wardens Nelson and Parks and California Department of Correction chief Raymond Procunier. No one who knew the Soledad Brothers or Jackson through his writings or was familiar with penal institutions of this country was inclined to believe those pronouncements even if the officials' stories had been consistent and reasonable. But they were not.

Associate Warden James W.L. Park held a series of press conferences. On the first day we "learned" that a gun, or guns, had been smuggled into the prison leading to a massive jail break attempt in which George Jackson was killed along with three guards and two white inmate trustees. George was supposed to have had a .38 caliber pistol which was supposed to have been brought in on a tourist bus, with a visitor, or with "one of those radical lawyers."

In the days that followed it was stated by prison officials, and dutifully printed as "the real inside story" by the straight press, that a .9 mm Spanish made gun had been smuggled in to George by a young attorney, Stephen Bingham. When people pointed to the heavy search of both visitors (they must have all possessions checked or they go through a metal detector) and inmates (who are strip-searched on leaving and re-entering the so-called Adjustment Center), Warden Park suggested that the gun came in Jackson's long, Afro-styled hair. Meeting disbelief, the next day, officials reported that Jackson had lately taken to wearing a tight-knit cap at the back of his head and the gun, hidden half inside the cap, and half in his hair, was spotted by a guard. When that wasn't swallowed, they changed the story again. The next day they announced that they had discovered an Afro wig flushed down a toilet, and that the wig was the means by which Jackson had hidden the gun.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported on August 27 that they had procured an identical 9 mm gun and had a black model try to hide the gun beneath a wig. At first it wouldn't fit. When he finally removed the wig, and with great difficulty forced it back onto his head with the gun inside, the Chronicle reported, "the wig was obviously askew and with every step he took, the gun wobbled dangerously, bringing his hand instinctively to his head." The Chronicle observed without comment that if the prison version were true, Jackson would have had to walk fifty yards under the eyes of a guard until he reached the Adjustment Center without having the gun observed.

The day after the Chronicle's story appeared, the warden calmly announced that they had been mistaken. The gun was not after all an 8 1/2 inch Spanish astra m 600 as had been reported, but a much smaller similar type of gun. He did not explain why officials had given such a specific erroneous report earlier. Even stranger was the declaration that the gun's serial number indicated that it was purchased by Black Panther Landon Williams over two years ago. At least that was the case with the 8 1/2 inch gun. The warden did not say whether the newly described gun--presumably the same one--

was also purchased by Williams. A number of people, including Mark Allen of the Political Prisoners Solidarity Committee, had pointed out that the various police departments have a huge arsenal of guns confiscated from Panthers in the last few years. They could easily plant one on George Jackson if they so desired. Landon Williams has been in prison in Colorado for the past two years. It is far more likely that the police had the gun than that Jackson did on August 21 of this year.

Prisoners in San Quentin were still being held incommunicado and dozens of lawyers were beginning to work frantically to gain entrance to the prison to learn the fate of the other two inmates and to stop the torture. Fleeta Drumgo had been told repeatedly that he would be dead by Friday; his lawyer, Richard Silver, could not get a judge to move him to the San Francisco County Jail. Pleas went out to black state and federal congressmen and legislators to apply pressure, but when Drumgo and Clutchette reappeared in court Thursday, two days later, they reported they had been beaten and burned with cigarettes again when they returned to the prison on Thursday. Drumgo, visibly trembling the entire time he was in the courtroom, sent "last messages" to friends and supporters requesting that they carry out specific tasks if he should never see them again.

Drumgo's mother fled from the courtroom crying. A little later, Mrs. Maxwell, John Clutchette's mother, began crying uncontrollably and swearing at the judge. No bailiff moved to quiet her or to ask her to leave. Instead, the San Francisco Tactical Squad, standing helmeted with clubs ready in the back of the sealed spectator section of the courtroom, waded in with clubs flailing. Although most of the people who moved around Mrs. Maxwell to keep her from being dragged out were black women, it was two black men who the Tac Squad and sheriffs deputies chose to attack.

They began one of the longest, most vicious and most bloody beatings ever witnessed in a demonstration or riot--not to mention inside a courtroom among a handful of people. For long moments the Tac Squad beat Phil Price, a cousin of Fleeta Drumgo, as he lay on the ground. They bent his leg over a chair and slammed a club on it repeatedly trying to break it. Then the sheriff's deputies moved in. Lifting Phil to his feet, slamming his already profusely bleeding head repeatedly, they forced him against the wall where they continued to beat him.

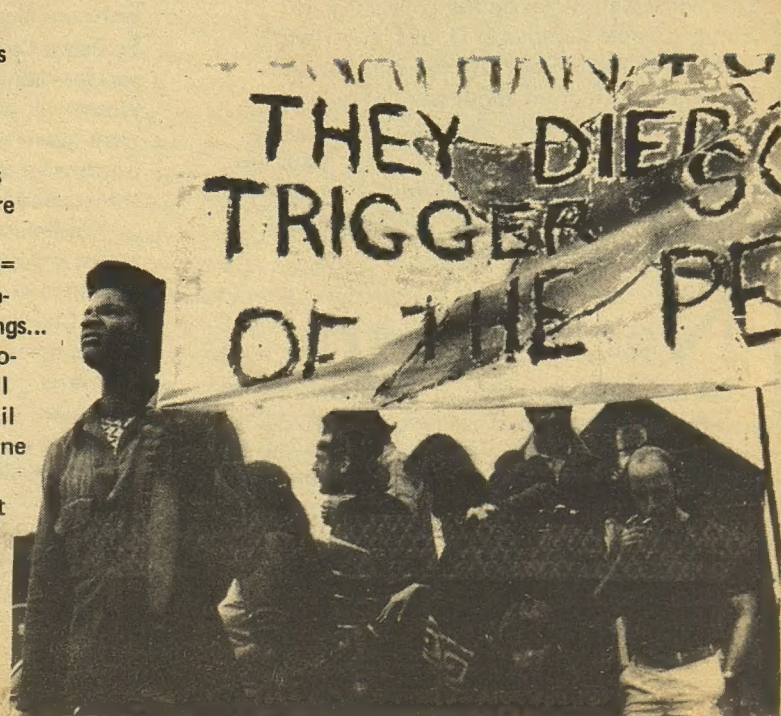
Marty Price, Phil's older brother, was being shoved around the neck with a Tac Squad club, but wasn't as badly beaten as Phil. Instead, both were dragged inside to a prison holding cell where the guards forced Marty to watch as his brother was clubbed and beaten some more. When they finished, an officer said, "we need some injured men." Several officers wiped their hands in Phil's blood, rubbed it on their own faces and went off to have their pictures taken. The two brothers were charged with assaulting an officer.

This second hearing failed, as had the previous ones, to get the judge, Carl Allen (who sat watching passively as the beatings were going on) to set aside discussion of old motions and deal instead with the problems of San Quentin.

But people on the outside were acting. Demonstrations had been going on outside the gates of the

say a few words, not to preach...." He moved away from the grave and then Yvonne King of the Panthers read a few of George's quotes and then Mrs. Jackson spoke, her voice very quiet and steady and very bitter and angry, strong, I think that woman may understand what goes on in this world at least as well as anyone else alive, and she said, "My son suffered more than any man I know. He was the finest man who ever lived in the United States and they killed him because he could talk and explain to people what is happening. They don't want black people explaining things... I'm not a prejudiced person, I grew up with white people, went to school with white people, but one thing I know is that when white people get a black man in jail they just never want to let him out again...." Everyone full, but no one crying....

The Panthers filled in the grave, slow sound of dirt falling onto the casket and then it was more or less over. We walked away feeling once more like you can never do enough. And we loosened our shirts and got back in the car for the hot ride home to Chicago.



"Welcome," said the spider to the fly "back to..."

COLLEGE

AND

pression; Men's groups are forming to deal with the problems of male chauvinism. Northeastern is soon to burst open with radical activities. It is past due.

--Nortie Northeastern.

Roosevelt

Roosevelt University, located in downtown Chicago, is a private school, started in 1945 as a split-off of Central YMCA college, in response to an attempt at Central Y to establish racial quotas. For a long time, Roosevelt had a reputation (although perhaps ill-deserved) as Chicago's "Little Red Schoolhouse"---the Tribune foamed at the mouth about it, and a committee of the State House of Representatives (The Broyles Commission) investigated "Communist influences and teachers" at the school. Roosevelt always used to be one of the schools in the Chicago area where students from poor and working-class backgrounds went. Today, skyrocketing tuition, an expanding business school, and a variety of other factors have reversed all of that.

When Charles Siragusa of the Illinois Crime Commission testified before the Senate Internal Security Sub-committee on June 10, 1970, he was able to say of Roosevelt University that: "A representative of this university was very cooperative concerning our request for information regarding militancy on that campus," and to put into government files a list of known "campus militant" (including the author of this article). The school administration has passed the time away over the last several years by:

*Calling police in to arrest students or threaten them with arrest no less than six times.

*Working with the FBI (which University President Rolf A. Weil says is "on campus all the time") to put a student government president in jail for draft evasion.

*Firing history professor Staughton Lynd in 1968 because he was involved in radical activities.

*Firing Anthropology professor Stephanie Michel and Sociology professor Ethan Cummings this past year because of their support for the spring 1970 student strike.

*Responding to Black students demands for a Black Studies Department by lying--saying they had offered "black studies" for twenty years, when in fact they had not. Black students were expelled for disrupting a class and invading the Presidents office to get some answers to their demands.

Tuition is going up once again this fall--an interesting occurrence, in light of the fact that staff and faculty raises are being deferred in recognition of the "wage-price freeze." Yet, when the tuition increase was announced last spring, the reason given for it was "all the salaries are going up." In reality, Roosevelt takes in more money than they spend--they make a profit on tuition! A profit that can then be invested in stocks and bonds of companies that the board of trustees approve. For example, companies they own. Roosevelt distinguished itself by owning Dow Chemical Company stock at the time that Dow was making napalm. And also receives contributions from major Chicago area polluters.

The machines dispensing plastic food in the RU cafeteria belong to the Canteen Corporation, whose president, Patrick L. O'Malley, just happens to be a member of the Board of Trustees. The cafeteria is in the school's new dormitory--which is being dedicated this fall.

The dorm was built with several million dollars federal matching funds. The dorm is named for the late Herman Crown, an executive of the Material Service Corporation--whose family kicked in a half million dollars and in return got a 17 story \$4.8 million monument to their relative, a construction contract for Material Service Corp. and a nice tax write-off to boot. And who was Mr. Crown? And who is the Material Service Corp? Well, for the answer to that, read pages 214-232 of "Captive City: Chicago in Chains" by David Demarris, a book dealing with the Mafia, politics and business and their interrelation in Chicago.

unwanted and left soon thereafter.

SDS soon appeared on the scene in the spring of 1968. Then the summer and the convention. School started again in Sept. with new energies and hopes raised from the summer, and a sit-in was held in the President's office. All 11 were arrested and found guilty of criminal trespass. \$25 please. SDS aligned itself with R.Y.M. 11 and there SDS is interred.

In July 1968, the Black Caucus took over the information center and demanded representation and a voice in their education. Later in the fall of 1968 the Black students took over classes charging them with being racist in their teachings. The racist history department and its racist texts were buried by the blacks.

The summer of 1969 found Northeastern with a live on television railroading and proposed firings of two radical teachers--Ken Lawrence and Dan Stern. Both were being fired for their politics. Lawrence was disposed of and Stern was kept only after demonstrations, pickets, mass marches to the Head Pigs office, the mechanical Prez Jerry Sachs. They again tried to get rid of Stern in the spring of 1970. After demonstrations and a mauling by a pig who is a teacher upon a radical, Stern was kept and given tenure. The student who was mauled, a known radical and his close pal who went to his aid were suspended by the liberal dean of students. They were let back in after a trial. Nothing was done about the madman who attacks students---three times he has struck--only when there was a full sun shining.

Just before Kent & Cambodia, spring 1970, a state-wide coalition of universities against the tuition hike. was organized. Students were organized and ready to go to Springfield--Kent State happened. At Northeastern, there was a student walk-out. Later there was a rock festival which went for 12 straight hours--all live and free.

Northeastern had its teach-ins and its Moratorium programs complete with speakers and films.

The women at Northeastern tired of being subordinate to the men became involved with Women's Liberation. International Women's Day is celebrated with speakers, films and educational materials. Attempts to educate the college community to the women's struggle ensue. A class "Marriage and the Family" is being taught from a feminist viewpoint. The women in the spring of 1971 held a Womens Culture Week which included panels speakers, displays and exhibitions of and by women. The women are engaged in and organizing rap and study groups. The women work with Rogers Park Sisters Center and are affiliated with the Women's Liberation Union. One woman, Mary Ashmore, is trying to be hired to teach classes from a feminist standpoint. At the present, she isn't being hired, the school says she isn't qualified---everyone else says its because she isn't a bootlicker like so much of the faculty & she called the Vice prez at Northeastern a "mother-fucker"---he deserves to be called much more and he has earned it.

Something that sprang up during the Kent-Cambodia strike was free food. Free food was started as an alternative to rip-off prices and plastic food that is notoriously sold in Amerika. Free food was home-made, cooked by energetic people. The health department was called in and free food was closed down. Later the school, ever so condescending, lowered the prices for the shit that is sold in the cafeteria.

Newspapers began to appear at Northeastern starting with the Wallposter (1967) and being replaced by Northeastern Publications (1969) as time went on. Northeastern Publication published papers by Peace Council, the coalition against tuition hikes, various radical groups including Gay Liberation and Womens Liberation. The funds supplied by the school were taken away by the liberal dean of students. The funds were taken away in Dec. and returned after threats of a lawsuit in April.

Freshman Orientations have been disrupted by different groups. In Sept. 1969, a pig led some supposed Weathermen and pushed Jerry Sachs around. In Sept. 1970, Charlie Brown took care of the job with a smoke bomb. The school was warned by the posters but never got the message. "I smell smoke in the auditorium."

In the winter of 1970, the school was decorated by some wall painters, the school sure looked good covered with revolutionary slogans.

Northeastern is progressively getting more radical. The sociology department is almost entirely radical. Peace Council brings radical speakers to help to educate the community. The women are setting up rap groups, study groups and dealing with their op-

The campus movement this past year was the quietest it has been since the 1950's. Following the events of Cambodia, Kent, Augusta and Jackson State, which saw 400 campuses go out on strike, students returned to school in the fall of 1970 with very little sense of direction. It seemed to many that the national student strike had been about the most that it was possible for the campus movement to do--and that hadn't changed anything--either on campus or in the country. The absence of a national radical student organization didn't help any either. Following the strike, many long-time activists who would have been potential leadership for future campus rebellions didn't bother to return to school--getting involved instead in various projects in their neighborhoods, on the job or in far too many cases withdrawing from politics altogether. So when Laos was invaded this past year, there was little if any response on the nation's campuses.

Understandably, many students are "war-weary" from several years of trying different approaches to attacking the war, racism, repression and various campus problems--problems which seemed to get worse rather than better, no matter what we did. But if a campus movement was important two or three years ago, it is doubly important now:

*The war in Asia is far from over. While Nixon crows about troop withdrawals and winding down the war, what is really happening is that Amerika, unable to win the war on the ground with combat troops, is ending the ground war and expanding the war in the air. Instead of marching into villages and burning them, Amerikan pilots drop bombs from the air. American casualties will go down--but the war against the people of Asia will increasingly become a war of racist genocide--an attempt to exterminate a whole people. The campus movement was the first segment of Amerikan society to actively oppose the war--and it helped achieve a complete reversal of public opinion over several years. If it fails to act now, all those years of struggle will have been in vain.

*The government's war against the Black people of this country is escalating fantastically--as shown most dramatically just now by the assassination of George Jackson, who was a symbol of rebellion to the hundreds of thousands of black people in jail for the crime of being black and poor. Nobel prize winning physicist William Shockley of Stanford tells the annual conference of the American Psychological Association that blacks are "genetically inferior" in intelligence, and argues that they be sterilized. Meanwhile, unemployment for blacks soars and the government tries to change the welfare system into one in which blacks will be forced to do menial jobs for less than minimum wages--slave labor conditions.

*And the government's war on workers and the right to strike has just begun--but it's far from over. The wage-price freeze will be followed up, Nixon has already said, by other "controls" that will "require the cooperation of all Americans." Meaning economic sacrifices on the part of most of the people so that big business can get tax deductions on investments in new machinery which will eliminate more jobs.

These three issues, taken together, provide the makings of a potentially very explosive situation. *And a single spark can light a prairie fire.* The campus movement can be that spark. It has been before, both in Amerika and in other countries--the best example being France in May of 1968.

It is with this hope in mind that the Seed this issue presents articles on two area schools: Roosevelt and Northeastern University. Next issue will have articles on the University of Chicago, Circle Campus of U. of I. and Illinois Institute of Technology. We're interested in news and information about what's going on at your school and also interested in increasing the distribution of the Seed and other materials at area schools. If you have news of your school or want to help distribute the Seed there, call 929-0133 and ask for Bernie.

Northeastern

The birth of radical politics at Northeastern University can be traced back to the winter of 1967 when the Peace Council was started, dedicated to Peace and anti-war. At first, Peace Council was attended by radicals and liberals alike. This group gave birth to anti-war week centering on the draft and the nasty, evil, greedy, death-loving (only for others, not themselves) scouts for Uncle Sam's Major Leagues, the Armed Forces. Crowds and the recruiters clashed in the halls with the recruiters getting the feeling that they were

The Material Services Corporation is the company that considers the Sanitary District "as a small subsidiary." For years in Chicago, the words "Sanitary District" and "scandal-ridden" seldom appeared apart in Chicago newspapers.

Among those sitting on RU's distinguished board of trustees are Mayor's Daley's administrative assistant Erwin France, several judges, several bank-officials and Arthur Rubloff, of real estate fame. Rubloff is the same fellow who bought himself the county tax assessor to evaluate his holdings "properly."

The 17 story dorm looks ridiculous in the heart of Chicago's Loop, and was the last thing the students needed. There could have at least been a day care center in the building. And they are charging each and every student a \$10 "student union" fee for the privilege of sitting in the lounge.

The Roosevelt administration makes a great pretense of being liberal, allowing "free expression" "diversity of opinion," etc. But if a group of people at any point challenges them, the iron rod isn't far behind for his staunch policy against student activism, President Weil received a DAR award a little over a year ago. And was commended in the Tribune's editorial pages. It seems like Roosevelt blows up over some issue every spring--the school sending class ranks to Selective Service in 1966, Dow Chemical company in 1967, the firing of Staughton Lynd in 1968, Black Studies in 1969, Cambodia and Kent in 1970, the firing of Michel and Cummings in 1971. And what generally happens is that the administration takes some kind of action against students--arrests, suspensions, expulsions, threats or the old run-around of referring you to the "proper channels" or setting up a "committee" to "discuss" the matter--the issue gets put off until June, when everyone leaves for the summer.

This year, students are starting to work early. It seems like, for some reason, there is a renewal of energy after a very quiet year. A group of students are starting an underground paper for the school, tentatively called RU Revolting, which will have it's first issue out by the first week of class. A group calling itself the CO Gun Club has been recognized as a student group, and plans to learn all kinds of self-defense skills. The student government put out a counter-catalog, listing good teachers in various departments. (The underground paper will also list the ones to avoid.) The school newspaper, the Torch, a source of radical news and opinion in the past, seems like it may be a little more questioning again this fall, after what was a very cautious year.

RU Revolting, the new underground newspaper, will probably serve as the umbrella for most of the radical activity at Roosevelt this fall and they can be contacted c/o the Student Activities office, room 118 in the Herman Crown center. Students at RU have a lot to revolt against.

--Bernie



High schools are set up with pre-determined limits into which people must conform. In a word, schools are set up to make you CONFORM to the structure by restricting your expression of individual energies. When you feel these restrictions on your growth, YOU must start choosing your own space.

Bumming out in school means you should either get on your ass and start taking power over the kind of learning you want to experience or leaving the school and learning in another atmosphere.

The first step to dropping out is easy. The first step to taking over your school isn't. Taking over your school means learning how to function in an effective way to make an impact on the school environment. Among other things, this means resisting the schools attempt to keep people isolated from each other within the school. It means shunning school rivalry and uniting with students in other schools. Dropping out means getting acquainted with a new environment & then learning how to make an impact on it. It means coming together with others who seek alternatives & forming learning experiments, projects, working collectives, living collectives. It means NOT going PASSIVE--an easy trap to fall into after nearly a dozen years of having your environment structured for you.

At high school age, a person is able to sit down and think of what she or he likes to do, wants to learn and who would be a good person to learn from. If a specific individual is not there to teach a person can at least decide what a teacher or guide should be and begin to seek out his or her guides.

Every day a person is confronted with uncoun- table things to learn and do. If one is considering dropping out, or examining ways to take power in the school, there are many decisions about what course to follow. The course one follows is deter- mined by the space or personal environment that person exists in. This personal environment is the sum of ones knowledge, interests, abilities and

time in life. These considerations are very personal ones but are shared by everyone who is looking for "a way." The right decision will bring you to people like you.

Fear not.

—HUNDRED FLOWERS

hopelessness

September again, and another ten months of school, only this time I'm looking on from the outside. Though I'm not in school anymore it is easy to recall the emotions I felt during my ten years of classes.

When I started first grade I was wide eyed and eager, discovering new things about myself--how I related to all my classmates and various mem- bers of the faculty, what subjects I was best in & what I liked most. etc. But most of all I discovered the glorious feeling of being on top. I always got "100's" on my work papers. I was in the top read- ing group, and I was teacher's pet. Such a great delight there was in being put above everyone else. I was probably the envy of a lot of other kids.

Two years passed and I maintained this status until my family moved from the town and school to which I'd grown attached and I was supposed to readjust. But I didn't. I felt very alienated from my new classmates and I numbly existed in classes barely making it. I finally found an identity with the group of trouble makers and class clowns who would otherwise be forgotten by everyone because they weren't at the top end of the ladder. We were the ones who were "never going to amount to any- thing."

I never recovered my original status, but I did manage to get some recognition by coming out with special talents such as in music proving I was better than some other people which made them worth less because I was worth more.

Soon, it became obvious to me that we were competitive backstabbers. It became a lot worse in high school with social groups and clubs that the elite few at the top could join. Compete, everybody, compete! School prepares us for the proper way of living! Finally I got disgusted enough to have the courage to leave and to become my- self--Becky--individual! I can't fight a war without purpose anymore.

So now I stand gazing out my window watching the students pass in crisp new clothes and shiny new shoes toting books and I get a sad, sinking feeling. People can't naturally be this way! Can we ever change schools into something constructive?

---Becky.

still tryin'

I'm trying to start this school year the same way I did all the others--with a whole mess of hope but also an awful lot of doubts. Only this time I'm looking in from the outside wondering if my "liberated position makes it impossible for me to relate to high schools in a real way.

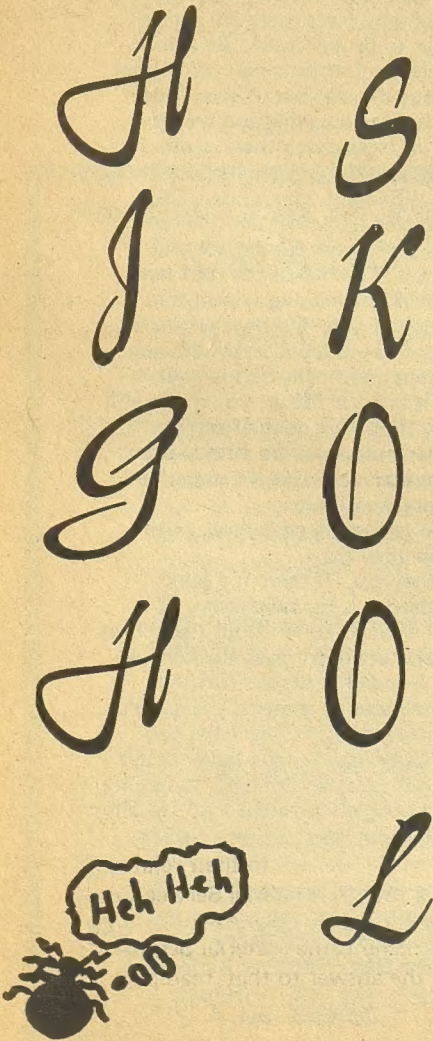
Even though I dropped out of school last year, per- haps because of it, I feel closely involved with those still in. The other day while watching all those newly dressed, notebook-carrying little kids I sort of reex- perience some of the hopelessness that the public educational systems are so good at instilling.

Last year people tried. People tried hard. But maybe because we're still young and scared of a lot of things we failed in many instances. This year we just have to pick ourselves up, dust ourselves off and try again. In trying to work this new start we'd like to approach high school news in a different way.

One of the most defeating things schools convey is this total sense of aloneness--one person against THE SYSTEM. A major contribution that we could make then would be to show that there are those around who care; who believe in basically the same thing; who are experiencing the same frustrations; but who are also still fighting.

Send in essays or work which has been rejected by authorities at your school. Poetry and artwork which tells how you feel about the situation you find yourself in. If there is news you have to report try to get people ("teachers" and "students") to give personal accounts rather than long rhetorical raps. We have ideas that we'd like to try (maybe a group that could just discuss their experiences, give each other confidence in their worth as people, help each other spread a little life through this death system.) We want to hear your ideas. If you have anything you'd like to contribute please contact Becky or Mary Kaye Zip Zop at the Seed, 929-0133.

Mary-Kaye



STEAL THIS CRIB

The following is the Seed's fifth installment of Abbie Hoffman's book, 'Steal This Book' and deals with Housing.



If you are in a city without a place to stay, ask the first group of hip-looking folks where you can crash. You might try the office of the local underground paper. In any hip community, the underground paper is generally the source of the best up-to-the-minute information. But remember that they are very busy, and don't impose on them. Many churches now have run-away houses. If you are under sixteen and can hack some bullshit jive about 'adjusting', opening a dialogue, and 'things aren't that bad', then these are the best deals for free room and board. Check out the ground rules first, i.e., length of stay allowed, if they inform your parents or police, facilities and services available. Almost always they can be accepted at their word; which is something very sacred to missionaries. If they become known as double-crossers, their programs would be finished.

Some hip communities have crash pads set up, but these rarely last more than a few months. To give out the addresses would be quite impractical. We have never run across a crash pad that lasted more than a month or so. If in a city, try hustling a pad in a college dorm. This is especially good in the summer or on week-ends. If you have a sleeping bag, the parks are always good, as is 'tar jungle' or sleeping on the roofs of tall buildings. Local folks will give you some good advice on what to watch out for and information on vagrancy laws which might help you avoid getting busted.

For more permanent needs, squatting is not only free, it's a revolutionary act. If you stay quiet you can stay indefinitely. If you have community support you may last forever.

COMMUNES

In the city or in the country, communes can be a cheap and enjoyable way of living. Although urban and rural communes face different physical environments, they share common group problems. The most important element in communal living is the people, for the commune will only make it if everyone is fairly compatible. A nucleus of 4 to 7 people is best and it is necessary that no member feels extremely hostile to any other member when the commune gets started. The idea that things will work out later is pigswill. More communes have busted up over incompatibility than any other single factor. People of similar interests and political philosophies should live together. One speed freak can wreck almost any group. There are just too many hassles involved living in a commune to not start off compatible in as many ways as possible. The ideal arrangement is for the people to have known each other before they move in together.

Once you have made the opening moves, evening meetings will occasionally be necessary to divide up the responsibilities and work out the unique problems of a communal family. Basically, there are two areas that have to be pretty well agreed upon if the commune is to survive. Peoples attitudes towards Politics, Sex, Drugs and Decision making have to be in fairly close agreement. Then the even more important decisions about raising the rent, cleaning and cooking and maintenance have to be made. Ground rules for inviting non-members should be worked out before the first time it happens. Another increasingly important issue involves defense. Communes have continually been targets of attack by the more Neanderthal elements of the surrounding community. In Minneapolis for example, 'headhunts' as they are called are commonplace. You should have full knowledge of the local gun laws and a collective defense should be worked out.

Physical attacks are just one way of making war on communes, and hence our Free Nation. Laws, cops, and courts are there to protect the power and the property of those who already got the shit. Police harassment, strict enforcement of health codes and fire regulations and the specially designed anti-commune laws being passed down by town elders, should all be known and understood by the members of a commune before they even buy or rent property. On all these matters, you should seek out experienced members of communes already established in the vicinity you wish to settle. Work out mutual defense arrangements with nearby families, both legal and extralegal. Remember, not only do you have the right to self-defense, but it is your duty to our New Nation to erase the 'Easy-Rider-take any shit' image which invites attack. Let them know that you are willing to defend your way of living and your chances of survival will increase.

URBAN LIVING

If you're headed for city living, the first thing you'll have to do is locate an apartment or loft, an increasingly difficult task. At certain times of the year, notably June and September, the competition is fierce because of students entering or leaving school. If you can avoid these two months, you'll have a better selection. A knowledge of your plans in advance can add a great deal in finding an apartment, for the area should be scouted before you move in. Often, if you know of people leaving a desirable apartment, you can make arrangements with the landlord, and a deposit will hold the place. If you let them know you're willing to buy their furniture, people will be more willing to give you information about when they plan to move. Watch out for getting screwed on exorbitant furniture swindles by the previous tenants and excessive demands on the part of the landlords. In most cities, the landlord is not legally allowed to ask for more than one month's rent as security. Often the monthly rent itself is regulated by a city agency. A little checking on the local laws and a visit to the housing agency might prove well worth it.

Don't go to a rental agency unless you are willing to pay an extra month's rent as a fee. Wanted ads in newspapers and bulletin boards located in community centers and supermarkets have some leads. Large universities have a service for finding good apartments for administrators, faculty and students, in that order. Call the university, say you have been appointed to such and such a position and you need housing in the area. They will want to know all the requirements and rent limitations, but often they have very good deals available, especially if you've appointed yourself to a high enough position.

Aside from these, the best way is to scout a desired area and inquire about future apartments. Often landlords or rental agencies have control over a number of buildings in a given area. You can generally find a nameplate inside the hall of the building. Calling them directly will let you know of any apartments available.

When you get an apartment, furnishing will be the next step. You can double your sleeping space by building bunk beds. Nail two by fours securely from ceiling to floor, about three feet from the walls, where the beds are desired. Then build a frame out of two by fours at a convenient height. Make sure you use nails or screws strong enough to support the weight of people sleeping or balling. Nail a sheet of 3/4 inch plywood on the frame. Mattresses and almost all furniture needed for your pad can be gotten free. (See Seed Vol. 7 No. 4) Silverware can be copped at any self-service restaurant.



RURAL LIVING

If you are considering moving to the country, especially as a group, you are talking about farms and farmland. There are some farms for rent and occasionally a family that has to be away for a year or so will let you live on their farm if you keep the place in repair. These can be found advertised in the back of various farming magazines and in the classified sections of newspapers, especially the Sunday editions. Generally speaking however, if you're interested in a farm, you should be considering an outright purchase.

First, you have to determine in what part of the country you want to live in terms of the climate you prefer and how far away from the major cities you wish to locate. The least populated states, Utah, Idaho, the Dakotas, Montana and the like, have the cheapest prices and the lowest tax rates. The more populated a state and in turn, the closer to a city, the higher the commercial value of the land.

There are hundreds of different types of farms, so the next set of questions you'll have to raise concern the type of farm activity you'll want to engage in. Cattle farms are different than vegetable farms or orchards. Farms come in sizes: from half an acre to ranches larger than the state of Connecticut. They will run in price from \$30 to \$3000 an acre, with the most expensive being prime farmland in fertile river valleys located close to an urban area. The further away from the city and the further up a hill the cheaper the land gets. It also gets woodier, rockier, and steeper, which means less tillable land.

If you're talking of living in a farm house and maybe having a small garden and some livestock for your own use, with perhaps a pond on the property, you are looking for what is called a recreational farm. When you

buy a recreational farm, naturally you are interested in the house, barn, well, fences, chicken-coop, corrals, woodsheds and other physical structures on the property. Unless these are in unusually good condition or unique, they do not enter into the sale prices as major factors. It is the land itself that is bought and sold.

Farmland is measured in acreage; an acre being more than 43,560 square feet. The total area is measured in 40 acre plots. Thus, if a farmer or real estate agent says he has a plot of land down the road, he means a 40 acre farm. Farms are generally measured this way, with an average recreational farm being 160 acres in size or an area covering about 1/2 square mile. A reasonable rate for recreational farmland 100 miles from a major city, with good water and a livable house would be about \$50 per acre. For a 160 acre farm, it would be about \$8000, which is not an awful lot considering what you are getting. For an overall view, get the free catalogs and brochures provided by the United Farm Agency, 612 W. 47th St. Kansas City, Mo. 64112.

Now that you have a rough idea of where and what type of farm you want, you can begin to get more specific. Check out the classified section in the Sunday newspaper of the largest city near your desired location. Get the phone book, and call or write to real estate agencies in the vicinity. Unlike the city where there is a sellers market, rural estate agents collect their fee from the seller of the property, so you won't have to worry about the agent's fee.

When you've narrowed down the choices, the next thing you'll want to look at is the plot book for the county. The plot book has all the farms in each town-



ship mapped out. It also shows terrain variations, type of housing on the land, location of rivers, roads and a host of other pertinent information. Road accessibility, especially in the winter, is an important factor. If the farms bordering the ones you have selected are abandoned or not in full use, then for all intents and purposes, you have more land than you are buying.

After doing all this, you are prepared to go look at the farm itself. Notice the condition of the auxiliary roads leading to the house. You'll want an idea of what sections of the land are tillable. Make note of how many boulders you'll have to clear to do some planting. Also note how many trees there are and to what extent the brush has to be cut down. Be sure to have a good idea of the insect problems you can expect. Mosquitoes or flies can bug the shit out of you. Feel the soil where you plan to have a garden and see how rich it is. If there are fruit trees check their condition. Taste the water. Find out if hunters or tourists come through the land. Examine the house. The most important things are the basement and the roof. In the basement, examine the beams for dry rot and termites. See how long it will be before the roof has to be replaced. Next, check the heating system, the electrical wiring and the plumbing. Then you'll want to know about services such as schools, snow plowing, telephones, fire department and finally about your neighbors. If the house is beyond repair, you might still want the farm, especially if you are good at carpentry. Cabins, domes A-Frames and teepees are all cheaply constructed with little experience. Get the materials from your nearest military installation.

Finally check out the secondary structures on the land to see how usable they are. If there is a pond, you'll want to see how deep it is for swimming. If there are streams, you'll want to know about the fishing possibilities; and if large wooded areas, the hunting possibilities; and if large wooded areas, the hunting possibilities.

In negotiating the final sales agreement, you should employ a lawyer. You'll want to check out the possibility of negotiating a bank loan for the farm. Don't forget that you have to pay taxes on the land, so inquire from the previous owner or agent as to the tax. Usually, you can count on paying about \$50 annually per 40 acre plot.

Finally, check out the Federal programs available in the area. If you can learn the ins and outs of the government programs, you can rip-off plenty. The Feed-Grain Program of the Department of Agriculture pays you not to grow grain. The Cotton Subsidy

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COMMUNITY NEWS

HEALTH CLINICS

If you've ever been really sick and not had enough money to call a doctor, let alone go to one, then you know how some of the people who use the free community clinics feel.

But we are not brought up to feel that adequate health care is a right; rather a privilege. So if you can't afford it you're probably part of that untouchable group called the poor.

To make sure that nobody gets something for nothing and spoils the traditional American class structure, the city started hassling the free clinics as soon as they could dig up something to do it with. At first they tried some old laws that were on the book but those wouldn't even stand up in court. So the mayor wrote one of the only two laws that he has ever personally written in his history as mayor.

This law requires that all free clinics be licensed by the Board of Health. It thereby gives the Board the right to inspect all personal files (a problem hospitals and institutions run for profit don't face) and to make any and all rules necessary to the "smooth running" of the clinic. This then will take a clinic that is run for and by the community and turn it into a city-run clinic. Judging by the attitude of the city towards the clinics in the past, the codes will probably be deliberately aimed at the eventual shut-down of all free health care centers.

Four clinics that have been affected by this are Young Lords, Young Patriots, LADO, and Fritz Englestein. The former have only been given notice that they must license but Fritz has been served with a summons and must appear in court Sept. 28. If you would like information as to how you can help support these clinics, you can call the individual clinic on nights when they are open. (listed in Free City Directory, p. 10) You can also call People's Information Center 549-8626 or Rising Up Angry 472-1791.

HASSELING THE PEOPLE

On August 15, 1971 about 30 people were by Kedvale Park drinking and just having fun when the Chicago police pulled up & started hassling everyone. They harrassed them, the whole time by calling the women tramps and other names to that effect. They were arrested, thankfully some brothers & sisters did escape but the rest were put in the lock up.

On August 17, 1971, two days later, the pigs attacked the park again and busted 12 more people that had did nothing. They hauled them all in making out arrest for possession of grass they had found under a garbage can. After they were tired of harassing they tore up the arrest papers and told everybody to go.

Also a month or so ago one brother was sitting in his car by Kedvale park while Chicago pigs pulled up. They started harassing him till he tried to cut out in his car they caught him and dragged him out of the car, pulling on his long hair, kicking him in the ribs and beating on him. When his fellow brothers came from the car to help, the other pigs took their clubs and told them to get the fuck back in, they were all arrested. When they got to the station the beat up brother asked why they beat him. They said, "We didn't touch you."

There are many more busts around Chicago which he never hear about. Daley and his mad dogs (pigs) would like us to get a hair cut and join in the rat race to forget how they are getting rich off our backs, but we must fight back like the Viet Cong, like the Indians did, we must organize everyone together to organize.

Revolutionary organizations everywhere are organizing fast and the things that must be given back to the people will be We must fight for a stop to capitalism, to the oppression of women and a stop to Racism.

We have to get into the streets when we see our brothers and sisters beat and harassed. AMERIKKA teaches soldiers it's either you or the enemy in the field, we should as Revolutionaries feel the same way when we see the pigs on our brothers and sisters.

But remember some people don't realize what's happening, we must try to bring them on our side. Try peace before action.

We are all AMERIKONGS to the AmeriKKkan government. Power to the People.



HELP OUT TWO BROTHERS

John LittleJohn and Jimmy Rodgers, two bluesmen well known in Chicago seem to have come up against a stroke of bad luck that blues musicians never seem to get away from. The two men, their wives and children shared a duplex on Chicago's West Side. It caught fire and burned down a month ago leaving four adults & 9 children without homes, clothes or furniture. The people at Alice's and the blues community are getting together to give a benefit at Alices (950 W. Wrightwood) Sunday October 3. The benefit will run from 6 to midnight and cost one dollar. Besides coming to help out, you're sure to hear some great music.

Because most musicians don't know when they'll be in town, I'll give you a list of people who will be there if they're in Chicago. Come out October 3--you'll hear at least half of the following:

Otis Rush, Howlin' Wolf, Ko Ko Taylor, Junior Wells, Buddy Guy, Jimmy Dawkins, Lefty Diaz, Hound Dog Taylor, Lonnie Brooks, Sam Lay, Mighty Joe Young, Wildchild Butler, Johnny Young, Big Walter Horton, Lucille Spann, Carey Bell. Genex Clay from WOPA will m.c.

--Lois.

ORTEZ IS FREE!

Ortez Alderson, one of the Pontiac Four who were convicted of ripping off draft files in Pontiac, Ill was freed in August--or rather, sent from the federal prison in Ashland, Ky., to a halfway house here in Chicago. Ortez thought that the reason he was released before the other defendants--- Patricia Pottinger, Phyllis Burke and Kevin Clark---was because "they probably wanted to get rid of me." No wonder--Ortez, who had been very active in the Black caucus of Gay Liberation Front before going to prison, had been busy organizing one of the only two prison gay liberation chapters in the country. Ortez's motives, as a gay liberationist for striking a blow against the draft were not clear to most gay people. The federal government is the worst discriminator against gay people, setting the tone for the universal policies of open antigay discrimination. The government refuses to hire gay people, calling us "unstable" and "security risks" because of our vulnerability to blackmail--yet if the government and other employers did not fire everyone whom they discovered to be gay, no gay federal employee would fear blackmail. (Recently, however, in a precedent-setting case, a gay brother who had been fired from the Post Office took that to court & won.) The government makes it a criminal offense for gay people to be in the military, yet makes them fear to admit their gayness to the Selective Slavery people. The draft blatantly calls gayness a sickness. In Ortez's words, the federal government "gives the good house-keeping seal" and the military service & employment by the government & pig capitalists are hardly privilege. It was necessary for some gay liberationist to take action against an important legitimatizer of gay persecution.

The other Pontiac Four defendants will probably be out between now and December.

WHY HAVE HOT LINES?

In the FREE CITY DIRECTORY every issue there is a list of telephone emergency services or hot lines. Most people are not aware of the services they offer or what the hot line is even about. The purpose of each line varies a little from organization to organization. Looking Glass specialises in runaways, LSD rescue specialises in drug o.d.'s, Inner Tube is a general rap referral service for the Northwest side or anywhere where people need help.

We at Inner Tube see our purpose as someone who cares about people, someone people can call to discuss their problems without the hassel of parents or fear of being busted. If the person has a problem which we cannot help, we try to direct the person to a group or agency that can help. We have checked out the places we refer people and are sure the people will not be ripped off.

These are some of the typical calls. A girl, 16, calls and says she is pregnant. She wants to talk to someone about it. If she wants the number of an abortion agency, she gets it. Or other solutions are worked out. Another person will call whose friend is having a bad trip. If possible we try to talk the person down. If we can't, we'll refer them to LSD Rescue. If they have a drug problem and want continuous help, we refer them to Northwest Youth Outreach. An elderly woman calls because she hasn't talked to anyone or left her house in weeks and is extremely lonely. A person calls for the phone number of Legal Aid. A guy calls and says he thinks he's gay & wants to tell someone about it. A girl calls because her boyfriend has left and she doesn't know what to do. A person calls about hassels with parents. After a long rap, she decides to run away. Someone calls to ask if you can get arrested for attempting suicide. It turns out this person is on the verge of committing suicide and wants to be talked out of it. The phone rings and a male staff member answers--the party hangs up. The phone rings again but this time a female staff member answers--the party is a woman who has V.D. If at any time the person calling thinks it would be easier to talk to a man or a woman, she or he can say so. Another

call we often get is the BREATHER. This is the person who calls, but will not or can not talk and only breathes over the phone. We are also available if someone wants to come in and rap face to face.

The purpose of all hot lines is to help people. There are hot lines all over the city and in the suburbs. Don't hesitate to call the one closest to where you live or any other, and don't be afraid to discuss any problem or just rap. (SEED NOTE: REMEMBER THAT PHONES MAY BE TAPPED--ILLEGAL MATTERS ARE BEST NOT DISCUSSED ON PHONES--DRUGS, AWOL SOLDIERS, UNDERGROUND PEOPLE, ETC. ARE TOPICS THAT SHOULD BE CAREFULLY WORDED. i.e.--don't say "I'm an AWOL soldier and need a place to crash because the MP's are looking for me." Just say: "I need a place to crash." The result will be much better.) People cannot get it together if we have to hassel problems. We MUST help each other.

--Gary.

FREE CITY
ANIMAL SHELTER ?

HEY EVERYBODY, HOW DOES A FREE CITY
ANIMAL SHELTER SOUND?

One bright sunny day while I was on
office duty at the Seed a woman called
"I have two beautiful cats and I have
to give them up because I'm leaving the
state. I've tried to find loving homes
for them but no luck. You're my last hope,
otherwise they'll have to go to an animal
shelter and probably get offed."

Constantly during my lifetime I manage
to stick my neck out too far when it comes
to needy animals. Here again was another
example of that "If your sure you can't
find a place for them I'll take them."

She was very grateful and relieved, "I
thank you, the cats thank you, God thanks
you. Oh, one more thing I should tell you,
one of the cats is pregnant."

"O boy," I thought when I hung up the
phone, "I wonder what kind of method my
roommates are going to use when they kill
me?" I really shouldn't have accepted
those cats. Our apartment already had an
overabundance of orphan animals which we
could barely afford to feed. In the recent
past we had taken in a parakeet, rabbits,
dogs and cats, cats, cats which needed
homes.

I brought home the cats and by some mi-
racle my roommates had mercy upon me. They
helped mut with the animals and all of us
tried to find good homes for them. Some-
how we found homes for everybody except
for two cats, but if I accept any more ani-
mals the people I live with would probably
throw me out for which I don't blame them.
They have been very patient and it is un-
realistic for me to think I can take care
of the many creatures people can't find
homes for.

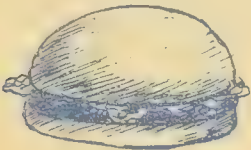
Our apartment has a reputation as the
neighborhood zoo. Kids would come inside
to visit our mice, dogs, cats, iguana,
parakeet, fish and rabbits. Someone left
tiny kittens on our doorstep. Even cats
from other areas would stop in for a free
meal and a place to crash. We tried not
to be human chauvinists, but soon it got
to the point where it was so crowded we
wondered if our human culture would sur-
vive among this overbearing animal culture.
Also, we were very worried about trying

to provide rabies shots for the cats.
Proper medical care is needed so bad-
ly. A stray dog has been adopted by a
friend but she can't afford shots for
him and who knows what kind of health
problems he might have, besides. A cat
I tried to pull away from my dog she was
attacking bit me and strange things hap-
pened to my skin where the bite was, but
I have no idea if the cat is diseased. A-
nother cat was being abused by some little
punk perverts who were shoving various ob-
jects in her genitals. She was almost dead
when a friend found her and she was taken
in for medical treatment. I don't know if
she survived.

With all this happening one can certainly
see a need for an animal shelter where peo-
ple can bring in stray animals or animals
that need to be treated. I don't know where
to start but if people could get together
and obtain a store front... Maybe donations
of pet food, money, advice or time. And
people with knowledge of medical treatment
especially.

It would be healthier for everyone if
we could get stray animals off the streets.
I'm begging for support. If you are inter-
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0133).

Becky ZipTop.

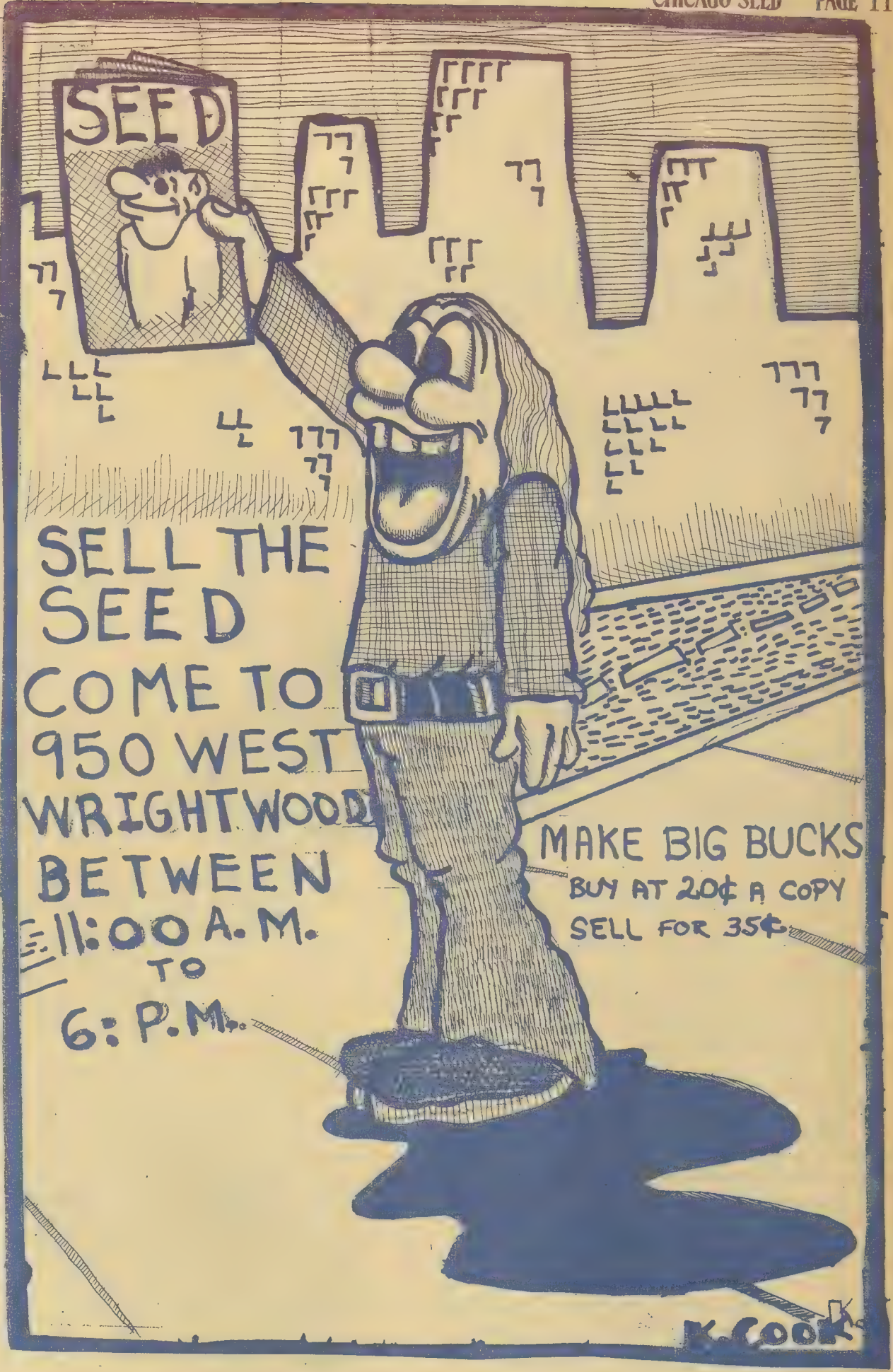


ALICE'S NEEDS HELP

Alice's Revisited Restaurant collective needs more people to
work with them--full or part time. Salary will not be much, but
room and board can be arranged. If you're interested, call 528-
4250 or drop by 950 W. Wrightwood.

THREE PENNY CINEMA

Picketing has resumed on weekends at the Three Penny
Cinema--both because a union contract is being violated &
also the theater is showing sex films that exploit women.
September 24th has been declared Yippie night outside
the Three Penny. See you there. More on this will appear
in the next issue of the Seed.



WHAT ABOUT THE
WHOLE EARTH STORE?

Less joyful than usual: The current chaos at Chicago Ave. &
Dempster St. has nothing to do with pavement or street widen-
ing, other than the fact that four of us are now pounding the
pavement after being fired for such down to earth reasons as...
being women, being emotional, "unstable", being less than
professional book business men, and not getting along well
with the new Machivellian manager of the Whole Earth Store.

Termination of employment for some was based on their
function at a particular task (i.e. balancing out the present
booking; clerking for the work week). For others in doubt
about this state of affairs, they had to inquire as to their
job security. Reply: "Yeh, you're fired too." said the 20th
century messiah. Tenure did not seem to be based on em-
ployee consideration... Two weeks would have been kind...
"You can work out the week." Now we know how migrant
laborers feel.

The Whole Earth Store has gone through at least a dozen
employees in 1971. This sounds like something is wrong with
it and not THEM.

Cloud, Terry, Sheila, Huber, Straight Albert, Dennis,
Michael, Faith, BB, Darlene, Anne, Betty and Pia had to
be ALL that was good about the store. The only things
left are bad vibes.

This coming weekend brings with it the Chicago Ave.
& Dempster St. Walk and Crafts Fair. All artisans are in-
vited to show and sell their wares on Saturday, 2-8 p.m.
and Sunday 12-6 p.m. Hopefully the event will include
a couple of rock band concerts and a traveling flower
cart lady. And while boy scouts are showing how to tie square
knots in front of this unhappy store, boycotters will be fill-
ing you in on it's unfair practices.

With sadness, Barbara B.

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VICTORY IN KARBONDALE



On November 12, 1970, at 5:30 in the morning, the apartment rented by five members of the Carbondale Panther Information Office was surrounded by the pigs. The pigs opened fire on the persons inside as they attempted to escape, and a three-hour gun battle followed. Remembering what happened almost a year earlier to Fred Hampton at 4:30 in the morning, and seeing their two brothers who escaped from the house shot down in front of them, the remaining occupants of the house returned fire at the pigs with the weapons they had handy for their self-defense. When daylight came, and someone from the community was let inside to talk to them, Leonard Thomas, James Holley (shot through the wrist), and Milton Boyd (cut from falling through a window after being hit directly with a pepper gas grenade) surrendered. Five hundred members of the black community stood waiting for them to come out, and watching the pigs. After their surrender, they were taken to the Carbondale hospital, and eventually each was charged with six counts of attempted murder, six counts of aggravated assault, mob action, and criminal damage to property—42 charges in all. On September 1st, after a four-week jury trial in Jackson County, they were found not guilty on all 42 charges.

The trial was a beautiful example of the togetherness of the black community. It quickly came down to a struggle between the state—with its 21 police witnesses—and the community—ten black witnesses for the defendants, and the defendants themselves. Each of the defendants asked to be co-counsel for himself at the beginning of the trial. The judge denied this, probably because he didn't want them to have such direct personal access to the jury. So the staff of the People's Law Office of Chicago and Carbondale put each prospective juror through lengthy questioning around issues like their consciousness of racism, the repression of blacks who attempt to confront racism, and their attitudes toward black self-defense and ownership of guns. After a week and a half of questioning, a jury of four blacks and eight whites was chosen—ten of whom were under 30. The defense team—Jeffrey Haas, Michael Deutsch, Flint Taylor and Steve White—tried to get the jurors to see the events of that morning from the perspective of the defendants who, as black community organizers and supporters of the Black Panther Party, were reasonably in fear of their lives when they saw the pigs come to their house before dawn and start shooting. The defendants testified that when they saw the pigs, they and two other persons inside all attempted to escape through a side window; but when the first two persons jumped to the ground, they were hit by police gunfire. (Joe Brown was hit in the lungs and the leg and Thomas Dotson was hit in the back. Both were charged with several counts of attempted murder and aggravated assault. On April 14, 1971, those charges were dropped; they pled guilty to illegal possession of guns and received six months probation. The state didn't have much of a case.) A few seconds after that, gunfire hit the house and broke some windows, and the defendants opened fire.

Earlier, 21 pigs testified that they had been fired on first, after firing a few warning shots in the direction of a man they saw jumping out the window. However in their zeal and stupidity, they tried to see too many things and be in too many places, and contradicted each other all over the place. (Small town pigs don't seem to get briefed on their stories as thoroughly as Ed Hanrahan's boys do). One pig testified that it took him 60 seconds to drive 15 feet. Another said he could identify one of the defendants in the dark from the streetlight on the corner. Someone from the community produced a picture of that corner at 6am, and the light wasn't on. The pigs also had to admit using six machine guns, as well as shotguns, pistols and rifles.

After six days of tedious pig testimony, ten community people took the stand. What became clear was that the battle that morning was not only between the pigs and the defendants, but between the pigs and the entire black community. The defense witnesses each took the offensive against the state's attorney, and refused to submit to any of his tricky questions. One woman said when she called the police and they wouldn't tell her what was happening in her back yard, she woke up her 17 year old son and said "Let's go get our gun". A man who took several moving pictures and slides of the incident testified that none of the defendants was seen in any of the windows. When the states attorney said "You mean, in your opinion the officer couldn't see anyone in the window" he answered "No. I said he didn't see anyone in the window, because there wasn't anyone in the window." A woman who lived with ten children next to the shoot-out house testified that the pigs used her front porch and basement to fire from, that no one tried to evacuate her for 2½ hours, and that the shot that came through her bedroom window and into her bed had to be fired by the pigs.

Finally the three defendants and Dotson and Brown took the stand. They talked about being active in the black liberation struggle in america, and knowing that they needed to fortify their house with concrete blocks and acquire guns and ammunition, because

they'd seen how Chairman Fred was murdered for doing what he believed in. They knew they were under surveillance, they'd seen the pigs and vigilantes do mock raids on their apartment, and they knew the pigs had a habit of choosing Panther offices to shoot at. They said they shot back to defend their own lives, and tried to hold off the 42 pigs until the community could intervene.

By this time in the trial, a guilty verdict seemed pretty improbable. In their closing arguments, Jeff Haas and Mike Deutsch spoke for two hours about the black liberation struggle, fascist police tactics, the spirit of Fred Hampton, black self-defense, and the racism of american society. They asked the jury to try to understand and overcome their own racism, put themselves in the position of the defendants inside the house on that morning, and know that they were in fear of their lives and were justified in returning fire. The states attorney blew his cool when he heard this, started apologizing for the "undertrained and overworked" pigs, and referred to the black community as an "unruly mob." 150 members of that "unruly mob" sat in the courtroom, and sent their vibrations to the jury.


After only three hours of deliberation, the jury returned to a packed courtroom and read off 42 Not Guilties. They received a standing ovation for a job well done, and the people took over the courtroom.

The Peoples Victory Party was short but very intense. A motorcade drove through town to the "scene of the crime," celebrated in the streets, and moved on back to the Peoples Law House and Jimi Hendrix' "Freedom" at top volume.

A few days later, the defendants got their guns and bond money back from the state. This money was used to bail out Jimmy Brewton—a long-time brother of the defendants, who's been in jail since January on several attempted murders, a robbery, burglary and murder charge—after his murder charge from Cairo was magically dropped (the state didn't have a case there either). It was a fine week for the people. Do whatever you can, all of the time, on every level possible. All Power to the People.



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Uptown has glass strewn streets & dried up, parched up patches of ground with sparse and sickly grass posing as lawn. The people are everywhere on the street, this hot summer night, moving restlessly and uncomfortable in a hostile place that seems foreign to them all. The hill people, the southern miners and share croppers driven north by the closed mines and the exhausted earth.

Some single men, drifters who arrive in town with no money and could never afford to get a job where he would have to wait 2 weeks to get money. So he works day labor, standing in long lines in the early morning, hoping you have not somehow offended the job dispatcher for fear he may not give you work ride long bus rides, which he pays for out of his check, to go for a day or two of some back-breaking warehouse work or maybe to be a dishwasher, and at the end of the long day getting that daily pay packet, about a dollar &

sixty cents per hour so he can eat that day, pay for his hotel room and maybe get a drink.

There are families too, thin, sandy hair children everywhere running with dirt on their faces through the broken glass and cracked pavement. Everywhere there are southern voices and out of the saloons & honky-tonk there is the sound of steel pedal guitar and lonesome voices singing about leaving home for big cities and love affairs that never work. Voices of home in a hostile city.

Others moving on the streets. The lonely old living on next to nothing in tiny rooms they can hardly afford, stand or sit on the street and stare, seldom talking.

Indians displaced from land and heritage lean against buildings or drink. Latins unable to speak English sit on stoops to cool off. The streets lined with worn-out houses, junk shops, surplus stores, day labor agencies, saloons, and pawn shops are alive in Uptown.

It is almost as if someone in the city government or somewhere had decided to make Uptown sort of a human junkyard, a place to put the poor so they will not be seen. But the people of Uptown are fighting back, struggling to make their area a decent place to live. Among those participating most strongly in this fight are the Young Patriots. There is a group

by its own definition made up of "young men and women who are committed to changing the conditions of their lives by the use of revolutionary socialism... the building of a society where natural resources, industrial products, and services would be owned by the people themselves."

The Young Patriots' newspaper FIRING LINE reflects the condition of Uptown and the determined resistance there. Recent issues have discussed the Woodlawn like fire that are now plaguing the area, industrial accidents, G.I. resistance, police repression, Model Cities, drug abuse, and perhaps most importantly health care.

Two years ago the Young Patriots recognized the seriousness of the health care problem in Uptown. They knew that skyrocketing doctor, hospital and drug costs were keeping many of the poor from receiving adequate attention. The city did not provide adequate attention. The city did not provide any medical facilities and although there were more hospital beds per capita in Uptown than in any other section of the city, most of these beds were occupied by the rich and middle class and provided little assistance to the poor. The Patriot's response to this was to undertake its own Free People's Health Service.

Two years later, the clinic at 4403 N. Sheridan Road is probably the best and most complete radical health center in Chicago. There are five examination rooms with a sixth to be added soon, a psychiatrist and social services center which now offers individual counseling and will soon provide group session, and a laboratory comprehensive enough to do most of their own required testing, referring only x-rays and special tests to other facilities. There is a regular full staff of doctors, nurses and laboratory technicians and volunteer community people take care of the paper work and provide direction.

The night I visited the center it was packed with children four or five years old getting their check-ups for school admittance. The clinic handled 53 cases that night. It was fresh with energy & even joy rather than the usual fear ridden hospital or doctors' office. People talked to each other and children played.

the staff talked to each of them individually and provided good, solid medical care. The clinic seemed much more together and served more community people of all ages than other radical clinics we have seen. Much of the success of the Patriots clinic can be traced to a steady, dedicated staff, non-dependent on liberal groups or institutions, a strong revolutionary grasp of their position, and wide spread community support.

The community support has been very important because the city is trying to close down the Patriot's clinic as well as all the free clinics operated by radical groups in Chicago. Under Mayor Daley's new city ordinance, peoples health centers have to be licensed. This licensing does not extend to private hospital, doctors or government agencies clinics and is specifically designed to kill the embarrassing free services the people have provided for themselves. The licensing will bring the clinics under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health which will surely draw up regulations impossible for the clinics to live up to and thus forcing them to close. Another section of the ordinance requires patients records to be open to inspection by the Board of Health or its representatives. This is an unheard of regulation in ordinary hospitals, clinics, or doctors offices--a patient's medical records have always been held confidential. If these files are open to inspection by the authorities it can lead to harassment of patients by members of Daley's machine to try to keep them from returning to the People's institutions. The records could also be used for criminal or political investigation.

These attempts of repression on the part of the city have been resisted strongly in the community and by the Patriots. The community has spoken up vocally at Board of Health and City Council Committee chamber and have been roughly handled there. A couple of weeks ago the people held their own hearings which exposed the rottenness of the city's position and the general irresponsibility of the medical industry. The Patriot's clinic has not yet been directly challenged with this law, largely as a result of community support.

But the attack on other clinics continues. At the LADO clinic Dr. Lopez was arrested despite the fact that the LADO clinic had close ties with Northwestern Medical school. A warrant for breaking the new clinic law has been served on the Fritz Engelstein clinic, probably because of its close association with Rising Up Angry.


The People at the Uptown clinic feel that they have even pressured the city into providing better health care. They pointed to the forthcoming visit of city T.B. and lead poisoning units, which have long been absent from the area. They also think the administration might want to do something just to save its face in the matter. Staff members recall that Health officials have repeatedly pleaded with them to get a license saying "Just do it, you won't even have to pay for it. It will be guaranteed." But the staff has refused such a deal because they refuse to come under the board of Health's autocratic rule.

One staff member summed up the problems facing the free clinics and the Patriots approach to them: "the honeymoon is over in many ways for the Health clinics. Politics is beginning to be defined. Some clinics are moving to the right in essence by making alliance with liberal hospitals and groups. This is basically reformist. Clinics professing revolutionary politics are having problems, but we also have an advantage of independence."

The clinic is regularly operated Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and Saturday morning from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. In addition a special Women's clinic has recently been added to cover gynecological problems, birth control advice, venereal disease, pregnancy referral, early prenatal care and abortion counseling. The women's clinic will initially see people referred from the evening clinic by appointment. The morning clinic by appointment. The hours will be 10 a.m. to 12 noon Wed.

The YPO needs support for their clinic. Money helps. So would examination tables, office equipment and all types of medical supplies. Help the People's Health.

---Wobbly Murf.



On Thursday, September 9, prisoners in Attica, New York, fought, burned buildings and held 39 prison guards hostage as they took over the prison complex. The rioters, numbering 1280 out of 2000 inmates, then stripped their hostages and forced them to lie in a circle in the prison courtyard surrounded by prisoners wielding baseball bats and tools, in a manner similar to how San Quentin prisoners were held by guards after George Jackson's murder.

In the ensuing days they attempted to negotiate a list of demands which included improved parole and rehabilitation practices, minimum state wage for work in prison shops, more religious and political freedom, and an end to censorship of newspapers and magazines. Further, they asked that they be granted amnesty from reprisals by prison guards and officials. Russell Oswald, commissioner of state corrections in New York came to the prison to hear the demands and negotiate with prisoners. He agreed to some of their demands and initially said they would be granted amnesty. But then this request was denied by the governor, saying that he could not legally grant the prisoners amnesty, and even if he could, he wouldn't.

They asked that Bobby Seale be flown in to negotiate. He was. He asked that prisoners be allowed to seek asylum in non-imperialist nations. Eldridge Cleaver announced from Algeria that the Congo Republic, North Korea, Communist China, Algeria and North Vietnam had offered to grant asylum to the inmates. This was denied. The prisoners asked that the governor come to the prison personally to negotiate. He refused. Finally, prisoners were told that they would be granted amnesty only if they released their hostages. They refused—to do so would have been suicide.

And so, four days after the original occupation of the prison by the inmates, the prison officials declared that the prisoners were unwilling to negotiate, that nothing more could be done, and after consultation with Governor Rockefeller, they moved in. The initial attack was by helicopters discharging tear gas over the walls throughout the prison enclosure. When the air had cleared the state police took over, moved in and reoccupied the prison, killing 29 prisoners and wounding countless others in the process. There they found eight hostages dead, their throats slit. Another guard had died the night before when he was thrown from a second floor window.

And after it was all over, and the 30 remaining hostages were "rescued" and the state police had full control of the prison, Oswald found it in himself to say that he profoundly regretted the loss of life that ensued, that they had hoped to accomplish the take-over without bloodshed, but the prisoners would not negotiate, and there were no alternatives.

It is too easy to predict what will happen now. The killing of 29 prisoners will be declared justifiable homicide, any number of 500 prisoners, particularly those that are "political activists" will receive the death sentence for the death of nine hostages, and who knows what physical brutality will result in retaliation for this bid for freedom.

It seems clear, too, that prison uprisings will increase in number and intensity as long as prisoners are denied their rights, as long as they are imprisoned for the crime of being too poor to afford bail or legal help, are treated like animals, are physically and mentally tormented, are denied parole on the basis of skin color. And it doesn't look like this is about to change.

—Maralee



non-specific vaginitis



The most frequent cause of an abnormal vaginal discharge is vaginal inflammation. Many kinds of bacteria live in the vagina normally and are referred to as "flora." These bacteria are necessary for normal metabolism in the vagina and the maintenance of a slightly acid environment. The vagina is an ecologically balanced system. Some of the normal bacteria in the vagina are potentially harmful streptococci, staphylococci, colon bacteria, and fungus. Various changes in the vaginal environment can cause any of these bacteria to infect the cervix or the vagina.

Changes in the vaginal environment can result from just being run down, having some other infection in your body, especially the vagina, or from irritation caused by intercourse without enough lubrication, which causes inflammation of the cervix. Once there is inflammation bacteria can grow there. During ovulation, menstruation, or pregnancy the PH (a chemical term for the measure of acidity or alkalinity of a substance) of the vagina can become less acidic and enable an infection to develop. The vagina can be made more acidic by douching with a solution of water & vinegar (one pint of water to a tablespoon of vinegar) or by sitting in a bathtub with water and vinegar. This type of treatment might help stop an infection if it is just beginning. This is not recommended during pregnancy.

If the vaginal walls are cut or irritated which can be caused by aggressive intercourse, instruments or frequent vaginal infections, these areas are prone to infection since they are a favorable place for vaginal bacteria to flourish, crowd out the normal bacteria and allow other bacteria to overgrow, not being balanced by the presence of the normal bacteria. This unbalanced ecology of the vagina makes it susceptible to infections. When a vaginal infection is present and the specific in-

fections of yeast, trichomonas and gonorrhea have been ruled out, the infection is called "non-specific vaginitis."

In a non-specific infection, the walls of the vagina are cloudy, puffy with fluid and covered with a thick, heavy, viscid accumulation of pus--white blood cells which fight off the infection. Pus may be white or yellow and may be streaked with blood. The infection, if not treated early, may spread from the vagina to the urethra. Often the 1st sure sign of the infection is frequent and burning urination. Other accompanying symptoms may be lower back pain, cramps, and swollen glands in the abdomen & thighs. When the vagina is infected, the vagina is less acidic than usual. The infection can spread further up and into the uterus and fallopian tubes. Having sex or using tampons can push the infection from the lower vagina upward. If untreated, it could cause infertility or abortion if you are pregnant. Chronic infections can cause the cells of the cervix to grow abnormally and make you more susceptible to cancer of the cervix. Non-specific vaginitis is diagnosed by looking at the condition of the vagina and cervix in a pelvic exam and looking at the discharge under a microscope. In the discharge there will be a lot of white blood cells and bacteria.

If you are diagnosed as having non-specific vaginitis, there are things you can do to help get over the infections. The area must be kept dry. You should wear cotton underwear instead of nylon underwear because nylon holds in heat and moisture, creating an environment which is favorable to the growth of bacteria. Better yet--wear no underwear at all. After you bathe you should be sure to pat dry your vaginal area well. Non-specific vaginitis is usually treated by sulfa drugs such as creams or suppositories to be used morning and evenings for 10 days/ vagitrol Sultrin. AVC cream. For people allergic to sulfa drugs, betadine (a mild disinfectant) douche or cream is used (This also may be used for yeast or trichomonas infections). One tablespoon is used in one quart of water in the evening as a douche, followed by one applicator full of cream. Continue for one full menstrual cycle, including during menstruation. Chronic non-specific vaginitis may take several months to respond to therapy.

Yeast infections are also called Monilia, Candida, and fungus infections. Yeast sores are in the air--they're always around. Yeast is usually in your rectum and your vagina.

HOW DO YOU GET A YEAST INFECTION?

Many bacteria and organisms live in the vagina. Yeast is one of the organisms that lives there, but normally their numbers are ecologically balanced so that none of them infect you. Anything that throws off the ecological balance can cause an infection. You are more likely to get a yeast infection if your resistance is low from some other infection, an unhealthy diet, not getting enough sleep, anemia, running down your body by taking too many drugs, or taking steroids (like cortisone for poison oak). Pregnant or diabetic women are susceptible to yeast because in both there is an increase of glycogen in the vagina, upsetting the ecological balance. Yeast which isn't killed can grow better without the other bacteria there. Tetracycline and Flagyl (given for Trichomonas) do this often. Taking baths or bubble baths could be a cause of a yeast infection because soap, which is basic, can change the normal

acidic environment of the vagina. Birth control pills also do this and cause you to get yeast more often. If you get another vaginal infection you can get yeast too because the other infection changes the environment. Very rarely can you get yeast from sexual intercourse. If you get it this way, the man has to be treated too, or you'll get it from him again. If a woman has a yeast infection at the time her child is born the baby will get yeast on its mouth when it passes through the birth canal. This is called thrush. You can get thrush on your mouth from having oral sex with someone who has a yeast infection.

1. vaginal discharge--white, thick, smells like yeast (baking bread), may have flakes that look like cottage cheese.
2. itching in the vagina, & sometimes the outer genital area--sometimes painful intercourse.
3. sometimes the vagina & outer genital area will be bright red rather than pink, its normal color.
4. sometimes burning after urination and more frequent urination.
5. On examination of the vagina yeast will be seen as white patches--underneath the patches the vagina is redder than usual, raw and irritated.

DIAGNOSIS

Characteristic discharge & appearance of the vagina upon pelvic examination. Smear from the vagina on a slide fixed with KOH (potassium hydroxide) to dissolve out other cells showing yeast, which is large and round with budding cells and stalks called mycelium.

TREATMENT

1. Acidic douche--one tablespoon of vinegar in a quart of water. If you do this at the first signs of an infection, it may go away without any further treatment.
2. Wipe yourself from front to back so that organisms from your rectum won't get into your vagina.
3. Wear cotton underwear or no underwear--keep the area dry, especially after bathing.
4. Do not scratch or have sexual intercourse while infected--it will cause more irritation & cause the infection to spread.
5. MYCOSTATIN suppositories for the vagina, which are effective only for yeast not for bacteria, viruses or Trichomonas. Insert one in morning and one at night for 7 days only. Continue treatment during your period. There are no side effects and the suppositories are not absorbed by your body, so you may use them if you're pregnant.
6. Alternatives to Mycostatin--Propionic Acid Gel (propion Gel) is a vaginal cream which doesn't kill yeast, but inhibits its growth, so it is relatively weak. Use one applicator full daily for 3 weeks. Gentian Violet 2% aqueous solution is the ancient remedy, but it is very messy because it stains purple everything it touches (wear Kotex.) It is painted inside the vagina, on the cervix and the outer genital area twice a week for three weeks. Another form of gentian violet is Genitia Jel which is a cream applied daily in the vagina for three weeks.
7. Yeast recurs often. You can be checked 4-7 days after you finish treatment to be sure all of the yeast is gone. Sometimes it will show no symptoms until your next period & then flare up again because menstruation changes the vaginal environment.
8. When babies have thrush it travels throughout their digestive system (mouth, stomach, intestines, rectum). The treatment is Mycostatin drops dropped on the mouth where the yeast is.

Sears opened its first South American store in Rio de Janeiro in 1948. The opening day is still recalled as an epic in retail history, owing to the sale of 1,000 electric refrigerators, imported from the U.S. (Bing, L.A. Sears Roebuck in S.A. STORES p. 8).

By 1970, Sears owned over 100 stores and retail centers in Latin America, located in the nine countries which account for over 2/3rds of the region's population. In the same year, Sear's net sales exceeded \$200,000,000 in Latin America--slightly more than the total U.S. Foreign aid to Bolivia, Brazil, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela in 1969.

Capitalism goes nowhere without growth; growth means new markets. New markets are in turn basic to American economic supremacy. They are therefore imperative, regardless of the utility or value of the items produced for profit. Traditionally American wealth has concentrated on extractive (mineral) and agricultural industries abroad, those now vulnerable to expropriation. Fortunately for the capitalists, there remains the relatively unexploited consumer industry. Enter Sears, the "World's Largest Store."

Since opening its doors in Havana, Sears has become the largest retailer in Latin America (as in North America). This merchandizing bulwark has profound implications both in economic terms and in terms of culture. Sears, unauthorized and unsolicited, is today the prime agent of American consumer culture in Latin America, conferring the related values southward as fast as profits can be returned to the north. The impact of Sears and "Searsopolis" probably rivals that of all the U.S. propaganda agencies (USIS, USIA, Cultural Centers, Peace Corps, etc.) combined.

Providence and Special Destiny

"Statisticians will tell you that only in a matter of a few decades the population of Latin America will be double that of the whole of North America. It is inconceivable, therefore, that North America will allow anything to separate it economically, politically or culturally from Latin America. If one thinks through the enormous implications of this fact...one at once perceives that Latin America in the overall economy of Providence is set apart for a special destiny." (K.O. Page, "Doing Business in Latin America" page 14).

Sears has practically corner the market on half the continent. To expand what is already massive is a task calling for the most concerted capitalist imagination. They must convince an impoverished population that it needs automatic blenders, self-starting lawn mowers, credit purchasing, "package deals," and money-back guarantees--in other words, distort household budgets with alien tastes and artificial necessities. Or to put it more succinctly, as one Sears official has: "how do you develop a paint and hardware business comparable to the U.S. among a consuming public both traditionally and socially disinclined to the do-it-yourself philosophy?"

Any self-respecting capitalist will find ways to sell his product regardless of its use or value to society. The way a capitalist develops a paint and hardware business is through advertising--i.e., convincing people to buy items they wouldn't otherwise buy, and convincing nations to divert scarce resources from primary needs to non-essential frills.

In any event, Sears' approach to advertising was revolutionary to countries not already bloated with signs, billboards,

full-page ads, and neon lights:

"Before Sears came, a typical large Mexican store would insert in the papers a small dignified notice to the effect that a shipment of interesting goods had been received from Europe and would the public kindly come in and have a look at them...Sears astonished and delighted the press with a series of large space ads with drawings of the merchandise offered and prices printed plainly quoted alongside the enticing copy." (R.Wood & V. Keyser, "U.S. Business Performance Abroad, page 37.)

According to Daniel James, a writer for Harpers, it was not until after World War II that Sears "invaded" Latin America in earnest. The invasion can be seen not only in advertising techniques but also in the proliferation of Sears stores, and by the snowballing of competing department and discount stores:

"Sears sparked the Consumer's Revolution and continues to be a major stimulus, but what we must try to measure is not the company's achievements per se but the chain reaction they started. The American merchandising practices which Sears introduced have been the catalyst of a revolution affecting the entire Latin American buying public." (Harper, 5/59 p. 2.)

One of Sear's major competitors in Mexico City, the Aurrera chain, is open 7 days a week, grosses about \$40 million a year (all on a cash-and-carry basis) and now finds its biggest problem to be space into which to expand. (Bus. Abroad 6/26/67)

It is naive to think that Sears casts its spell solely on the middle and upper classes of Latin America. Were this the case, there would not have been sufficient consumer power to justify its enormous Latin investments. It is with the poor, paradoxically, that the consumer revolution is most deep-seated and irrational. Business International, an international consulting firm (Sears is a client), prepared a document on Latin America which included a study of purchasing power among squatters in the Barriadas of Lima. The results fly in the face of all contemporary consumer theory in the third world; over half of the households contained various electrical appliances such as T.V.'s, radios and phonographs, indicating that marginal income of this low income group is highly susceptible to consumer influences (Special Report, Business International, 1970, N.Y.C.)

Sears is taking over Latin markets by creating demand and controlling supply. The market is one which, through its continental capitalist network, can generate expand and predispose to its own profitable ends.

Sears: Self-Appointed "Patron"

of Latin America

The rhetoric of economic development currently emphasizes that industrialism has failed in the Third World precisely for lack of domestic markets. One of the reasons the masses have little excess to purchase consumer goods, the theory goes, is because unemployment and underdevelopment are astronomical. Using North American concepts of unemployment, this is undoubtedly true. One of Sears' proudest claims in this regard is that it often employs 99% nationals to produce its merchandise; this amounted to 11,000 jobs for Latins in 1969 and is a substantial trump card when Sears justifies its presence abroad.

Next, development "specialists" call for import substitutes (items produced domestically and which therefore substitute for imports) and exports, both of which relieve balance of payments difficulties in developing countries. Sears has a well-known policy of cultivating local producers for its merchandise and extending generous credit and display possibilities as incentives; this gives the impression that Sears' wealth is being created in partnership with the respective Latin republics--another current development beatitude.

Finally, Sears is availing Latin America of an infinite list of consumer items which "assist the material well-being, creature comfort, and ultimate standard of living" of otherwise "underdeveloped peoples." Such are Sears' merit badges. So potent are they that Business International features Sears "partner" approach to Colombia in a 1970 study ("Nationalism in L.A., B.I. 1970,

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p. 54.) and Forbes magazine, in announcing the appointment of Sears executive Charles E. Meyer to Assistant Secretary of State, refers to Sears as "the very model of U.S. business enterprise" abroad. (6/15/69).

Cutting through this rhetoric, however, Sears is no more benign or enlightened in Latin America than domestically in the U.S. (see last issue of the Seed). In point of fact a closer look strongly suggests that Sears has created its free marketing system at the expense of development and that in fact, the market is far from free.

Reducing Unemployment?

There can be little doubt that, if (and only if) society's prime goal is production, Latin America has a disturbing employment problem. It was not Sears' original intention to respond to this "problem", however, but to use its Latin stores as outlets for goods manufactured in the U.S. In 1947, Sears opened its second store in Mexico City. That same year, according to the current Public Relations Director

"We were faced with what seems to be a catastrophe. Mexico's dollar holding had fallen off sharply, leading to dangerous pressure on the peso. The government was forced to place an embargo on the importation of large numbers of consumer goods. Suddenly we found ourselves cut off from our suppliers in the United States." (Doing Business in L.A. K.O. Page, pg. 7.)

Sears lost no time in airlifting a crack team of production experts and market analysts to Mexico to find out what local manufacturing sources could produce substitute inventories. It was for the sake of expediency that Sears came to form local production "partnerships"--a term applied years later.

A second aspect of Sears' local employment record that bears examination is how far the employment of nationals goes to the top. Top corporate executives of Sears stores in Latin America are Americans. This pattern may change. Sears sends its Latin managers through condensed in-service training in the United States to imbue them with company skills and loyalty and to "Americanize them."

Regarding the virtually Latin work force which turns out Sears' wares, this is a mix of enlightened self-interest and expediency. Briefly stated, labor in Latin America is incomparably less expensive than in the United States. It is not out of love for Latin handiwork that there are 230 U.S. satellite factories on the Mexican side of the Rio Grande today; the average DAILY wage of Mexican factory workers ranges from \$2.24 to \$3.68 plus piecework where available. (NYT, 1/31/71). Nor does organized labor in Latin America compare to the self-assured unions which protect workers at home. And if there were, Sears would squelch such organizing as she has for many years done in the United States (see next issue of the Seed). In short, labor is a small concession in light of overall profits that labor generates & the good will and "staying power" such a concession purchases. And this is not to mention that new jobs mean new buying power, and that buying power ultimately makes or breaks sales and profits.

In the final analysis, Sears could not hope for the massive consumerism it requires to move its inventories if large concentrations of workers and aspirants to the middle class were without income and were not indoctrinated with the consumer ethic.

Stimulus to Local Production?

Sears' subsidiary operations in Latin America are today working with over 11,000 local manufacturers; in three principal markets (Mexico, Brazil, and Colombia), over 99% of the merchandise is locally produced. (K.O. Page, Ibid, pg. 8). Such a statement goes a long way in muffling anti-imperialist galleries. As with Sears' boast on local employment figures, a closer look is necessary.

How does Sears enter new markets in the first place? Through sheer size, Sears can afford to establish its stores competition or not, and condition the public through massive advertising of its consumer bonuses. It may undercut the market to gain its edge. At the same time, Sears agents do doubletime to contract with suppliers. If production outlets don't exist, Sears crea-

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tes them.

In public statements and annual reports, Sears refers to its generosity in backing up suppliers with credit, technical advice, and extensive product display in its routine trade fairs, but no mention is made of the artisans Sears plows under through exclusion.

"Buying, however, is largely a creative process. Sears often instructs suppliers not only in what to make but in how to produce efficiently. When necessary, Sears will finance local producers to obtain just the wanted merchandise." (Stores, *ibid*, 11/70, p. 8).

In other words, Sears has adverse effects for producers who are not among its "elect." What is an economy for one is a diseconomy for producers who are not among its "elect." What is an economy for one is a diseconomy for another. The irony is that Sears is an arch defender of the free-market system, the system which Sears undermines abroad. In effect, the buyer's market which Sears thrusts on small producers throughout Latin America decides which fledgling industries will survive and which will not--Sears "natural selection."

And what is the basis of Sears' preference in selecting producers? No doubt Sears' market analysts have a primary voice in the decision, selecting what is or could be marketable and efficient. But it is axiomatic that, just as the U.S. Searsopoly either owns has substantial interest in or is affiliated with its producers through interlocking directors, its goal is similar in Latin America. After only eleven years of penetration in Latin America, the following appeared:

"Sears also has an equity interest in thirteen Latin America factories...From time to time, a relationship develops between a manufacturer and Sears that is based upon a close degree of interdependence. These are the typical instances where Sears has become an equity partner as well as a contractual client." (Annual Report, 1957, pp. 30-31).

Even as far back as 1953, Sears held the following equity holdings:

MEXICO	COLOMBIA
Finance co. 100%	Clothing factory 50%
Appliance factory 15%	Cooking Gas Dist 33%
Radio & TV fact. 50%	Appliance factory 40%
Wheel Goods fact. 25%	Dress Factory 50%
Men's Clothing factory 50%	
Men's furnishings 50%	(Annual report, 1953).

That was 1957. Today Sears "ancillary control" has proliferated into every line of consumer goods--a relatively new imperialist move. As in Venezuela, where Sears now owns controlling interest in the country's largest furniture producer, there is a quid pro quo in every enterprise that Sears cultivates for partnership.

Another acid test of Sears' intention is presented by its handling of brand name products which it markets. Genuine interest in the domestic origin of merchandise would mean acknowledging local producers' trade marks, brand names, & other national insignia. Instead,

Much of Sears' merchandise is manufactured by companies which it controls or finances...Gradually, Sears' brand names are being eliminated, as the over-all 'Sears' designation of product is introduced." (Stores, Nov. 1970, p. 8.)

Today you can buy a Coldspot refrigerator in Sao Paulo, Allstate tires in Bogota and Goldbond shoes in San Jose with the profits returning to a common source, Sears.

Credit and Basic Restructuring:

Another noteworthy facet in Sears' predatory market strategy is credit, credit for both consumers and for producers. Credit, whenever issued, is a risk venture. Yet is essential enough to Sears to have its own internal credit mechanism abroad as in the U.S. Allstate is a 100% subsidiary of Sears.) According to the current Vice President of Sears International Operations, John F. Gallagher, the percentage of credit sales in Latin American countries presently exceeds the U.S. figure (54%) and twice as many of the accounts used by Latins are on easy-payment terms. ("The Sears International Story" J.H. Gallagher, 1969). Again, behind the smoke rings of consumer benefit is the time tested strategy of easy money and consequent spending--a strategy particularly hard on countries stricken with inflation.

In essence, through its own actions and the chain reactions of its competitors & imitators Sears has irrevocably struc-

tured the supplier-retailer-customer relationships of Latin America. Sears claims to cultivate local industry and initiative, but in most cases designs its products, establishes and enforces quality standards according to foreign criteria, and invokes production schedules. Translated, Sears is invoking the commodity view of man.

Who gave Sears the authority to remake micro-economic relationships between buyer and seller, and to influence the macro-economies of Latin America through its alleged "model development?" Who gave Sears the right to put in economic jeopardy local artsanry conceived for aesthetic as opposed to mass production or efficiency reasons, which may preserve traditional values or which may exchange hands easier through barter than currency and credit? Who gave Sears the right to make a department store in Irapuato, Mexico, identical to one in Indianapolis? Mass production can only be accompanied by a precipitous change in technology. Who licensed Sears to introduce marketing procedures and technologies which decide cultural "leads" and "lags", and what Latins gave their approval to the impersonal forms of violence that drastically new technologies sponsor?



"THE AMERICANS ARE COMING, THE AMERICANS ARE COMING!"

Sears, no doubt mindful of its influence, hired a specialist noted for his talent in the use of social scientific theory to illuminate international business problems" and a staff member of the Executive Office of the President (U.S.) to produce a rationale. His finding:

"...There was in the Mexican culture a precedent for the role: the patron of the hacienda. The parallel is not exact, but the relationship is present--advances of money to be paid back gradually by deductions from payments for production; dependence upon the Sears people for guidance; a personalized relationship between the small proprietor and the representatives of a large economic power. The extent to which Sears has fitted into this concept of the patron is suggested by the difficulty in weaning suppliers away from dependence on Sears." (Mann, Sears, Roebuck de Mexico, a Cross-Cultural Analysis, Soc. Science Vol. 40, no 3, 6/65).

To "raise" the standard of living of a foreign culture is a claim reserved for men who are messianic, crazed with profits, or who are culturally chauvinistic. If Sears' concern for standards of living is genuine, where has it enlisted analysts to study the side-effects of its Latin preparation the cultural reductionism which comes from mimicking the production and consumption of the U.S. and the mounting social discontinuities which accom-

pany massive population shifts from provinces to metropolitan consumer centers?

Sears succeeds and makes profits to the extent that it Amerikanizes. This is stated forthrightly in a former Annual Report:

"Throughout our Latin American development, Sears' stateside techniques of merchandise procurement and presentation have served us well. Every day that passes provides additional proof that we can & should apply to the stores in the U.S.A.; high turnover at a reasonable mark-up; sales per square foot of store area; selling cost of sales personnel; commission rates; total payroll, advertising expenditures; return on advertising." (annual report, 1957).

In other words, Sears has become a master at back-door imperialism. It provides capital and technical expertise, in which it has an advantage beyond compare in either North or South America; it adorns itself with development rhetoric which it helped author, and addicts Latin America to the same irrational economic consumerism which has so confused values and the distribution of wealth in the U.S. Charles A. Meyer, Sears' man in the State Department, puts it this way: "If you're not in something big and emotional, like oil or copper, the ten-year look-ahead is tremendous. There's a large population and, with increasingly improved fiscal and budgetary policies by Latin governments the people are going to have more and more money to spend." (Forbes, 6/15/69).

Imperialism is not always predictable, not always true to stereotypes formed as recently as 1950 and 1960. Sears has avoided the visibility of large mines, large land-holdings, large banks. As opposed to readily identifiable enclaves and American colonies, it has disseminated its empire into the multiple shapes and firms of the commercial world. Indeed, Sears has so corralled sizeable numbers of Latins through employment, production-reliance and addiction to merchandise that to question Sears might in some countries come across as unpatriotic.

This is a model empire: highly profitable, self-sustaining, assured of growth and its subjects crying for more. What of the future? It is all too bright for Sears, given the company's control in both the Latin American and United States economies. In Latin America, population growth is working in Sears' favor (it is the fastest growing region in the world, with its surpluses population converging on urban areas). As for the U.S., Sears anxiously awaits the import boom from Latin America, where she has developed countless goods with high export potential.

Mexico is a case in point: "Due to more than 40,000 stock units we carry, our influence has reached into more industries and more product development than any other company." (Harpers, *ibid*, p. 5) Add to this the reality that the U.S. is the single largest importer in the world--you can see what Sears means by destiny.

Latin imports which enter the States will plug directly into Sears' domestic storage, retail, transportation and advertising infrastructure, now engineered to perfection. Affluent America will lap

up the exotic handicraft, only vaguely aware that what they pay is not going to the developing economics of Latin America, but to an American giant within those economies. Yes, Sears pays certain toll fees (wages, dividends, credit, rents, etc.) which until now have satisfied Latins. Sears' own dividend includes more than profits; more than control over a critical growth sector in the Latin economy, a control with little sign of ebbing.

This means that Sears controls the future of countless lives in Latin America. Whereas export development in the Third World is generally subject to praise, exports can distort youthful economies, particularly when they divert scarce resources away from national priorities for the sake of improving balance of payment positions which the U.S. has manipulated against the Third World since mercantilism was conceived. Seeking economic independence, the Latin republics will develop their economies to favor exports, even when the proceeds find their way into foreign hands.

Such is Sears. Beware of capitalist missionary zeal and new platitudes of "development" which accompany it. Like so many Americans who came to the new world to do good and ended up doing well, Latin America is yet another "new world" for giant corporations with giant appetites.

-Chicago Area Group on Latin America (CAGLA)
see next issue for article on Sears' labor and community relations.

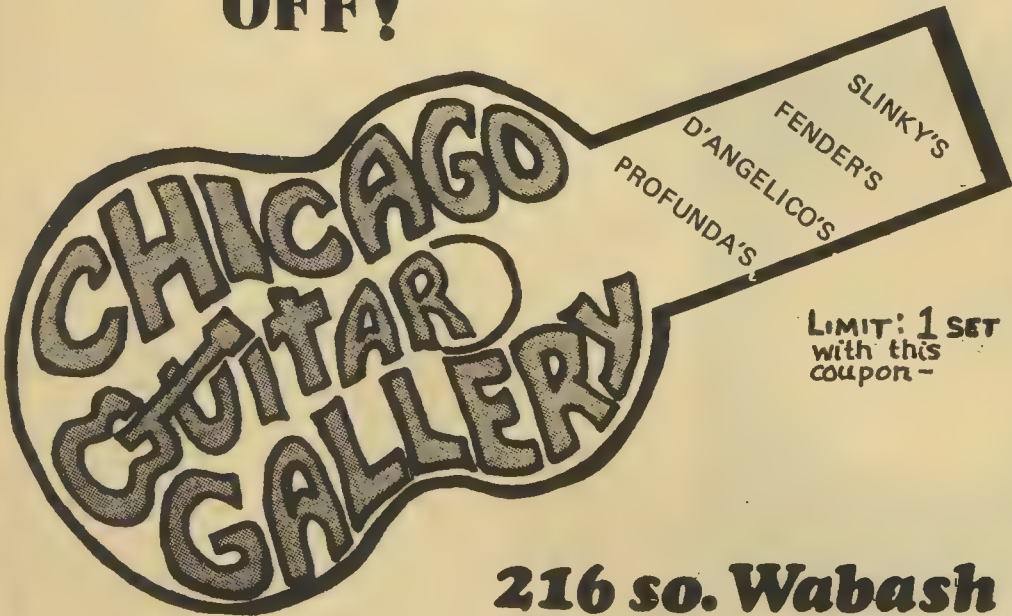
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We are unwilling to serve in an occupation army. It has been demonstrated in history that occupation means foreign rule; foreign rule begets resistance; resistance begets oppression; oppression begets terror and counter terror.

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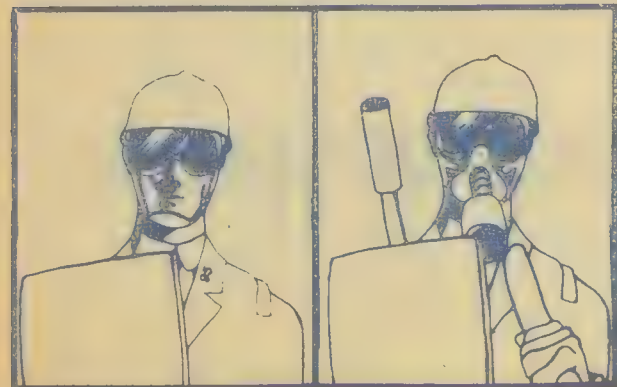
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Two out of the four are members of the "Matzpen" group. On August 7th, Matzpen published the following statement on this matter:

Exploitation begets strikes and working class struggles, Discrimination begets the "Black Panthers" [Israeli] The oppression and expropriation of the Palestinians begets their resistance, and the refusal to serve in the army. The Israeli Socialist Organization ("MATZPEN") struggles against exploitation, discrimination, oppression. Therefore it supports the struggle of workers against exploitation, the struggle of the "panthers" against discrimination, it recognizes the right of an oppressed nation to struggle for its liberation and it defends the right of Israeli youth to serve in an oppressive military system.

The governors of the Israeli Broadcasting service ordered to delete an interview with the four draft resisters in the programme "TODAY." Mr. Itzhak Roeh, director of "Daily Affairs" refused to comment. The Israeli television too did not mention the case.

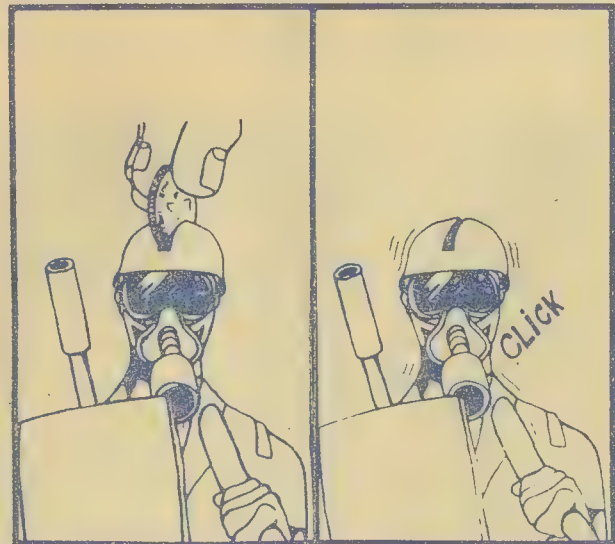


ROACHES

Chicago, home of the world's largest office building, the world's tallest apartment building, and the world's most efficient Machine (unofficial), set a few new world's records over the Labor Day weekend, when 40,000 farmers and their families poured in for the Associated Milk Producers convention. They came in 500 buses, a special train, and 147 chartered planes—billed as the largest movement of civilians by air in history, equivalent to airlifting an entire infantry division. They stayed in 16,000 rooms in 67 hotels and motels booked solid for the convention. They got to hear a speech by the world's biggest pig.

But the part of the convention that most interested the world's record keepers was the dinner for 25,000 at McCormick Place. It was, of course, the world's largest dinner under one roof, making the Mayor's fund-raising dinner for 10,000 last year look pale by comparison. The dinner was planned with precision—trailer trucks rolled down the aisles delivering plates, silverware and rolls; supervisors were equipped with walkie-talkies near the 180 buffet tables where the conventioners picked up their All-American pot roast, taters and green beans; caterers provided 18,750 pounds of beef, 7,854 pounds of potatoes, 2,000 gallons of coffee and 16 tons of milk. There was only one hitch—food ran out and 3,500 people didn't get to eat anything at all.

New York (LNS)—During March, April and May the Selective Service System issued 110,387 induction orders. Of all those who received "Greetings" from their draft boards during that period, only 36,195 men were actually inducted—less than one third. The other two thirds either refused induction or got a change in their classification. Also, some men who had enlisted failed their physical examinations and were rejected. The Pentagon's three-month draft quota was only 77% filled.



Ottawa (LNS)—After two years of preparation, the Canadian Committee on Youth has released a report recommending legalization of marijuana for persons over 18, along with government controls of its distribution and marketing.

The report was originally commissioned by the Secretary of State's department, but it is given little chance of acceptance. Officials, police spokesmen, and medical authorities joined in denouncing the report.

Police used a new tactic against an anti-Nixon demonstration in Dayton Ohio—carting away all the demonstrators. Air Force riot troops quickly removed about 60 people from a crowd of 8,000 gathered to see Nixon speak at dedication ceremonies for a new Air Force museum. The troops, dressed in fatigues and carrying gas masks, forced the demonstrators into vans and drove them all away. They were released only after Nixon had left the museum.

Lesbianism has been ruled illegal in the state of Oklahoma. The state Court of Criminal Appeals said that sexual relations between two women and "oral sodomy" is a "crime against nature" under Oklahoma law. The judges upheld a four-year prison sentence for Wilma and James Warner for their involvement with an Oklahoma City woman.

Hanoi (LNS)—The following is part of a telegram received at LNS on Sept. 3, from the Vietnam Committee of Solidarity with the American People:
"The Vietnamese people are deeply moved by the murder of George Jackson, valiant militant for colored people's freedom, and human rights. We strongly condemn this barbarous act of racism and repression of U.S. authorities. . . ."

Havana, Cuba (LNS)—The following is the edited text of a telegram sent to LNS on Aug 31 by the Organization of Solidarity of the Peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, umbrella organization of third-world liberation movements.

"Assassination of Afro-American leader George Jackson by racist San Quentin wardens. . . arouses unanimous indignation of. . . the world's progressive forces. . . It is a revolting crime aimed at thwarting the struggle of black people in the United States. We demand severe punishment for Jackson's murderers. . . ."



In August, 38 women escaped from a prison in Montevideo, Uruguay in what was then the largest Mass escape in Uruguay's history. Nearly all of the women were members of the Tupamaros, Uruguay's urban guerrilla movement.

Using plastic dummies to fool the guards, they escaped through a tunnel into the city's sewer system.

But just this week, an even more spectacular escape was made, this time by male prisoners. One evening, a man knocked on the door of a house near the prison where close to 200 Tupamaros are among the inmates. He told the man inside that he would be using the house for a few hours, and held him hostage. Shortly thereafter, the end of a tunnel emerged in the living room, a tunnel which started inside the prison. In the next few hours, 111 men, 105 of which were Tupamaros, crawled out, changed into civilian clothes and vanished into the city night. When they had all finally gone, the owner of the house tried to contact prison officials, they insisted that all was calm in the prison, nothing was amiss.

Several days later the Tupamaros announced that they will release British Ambassador Geoffrey Jackson, whom they have held hostage since Jan. 8 of this year. Apparently he is no longer needed as hostage, since the two mass escapes.



CALENDAR

ART

Chicago Gallery of Photography--open Sat. & Sun from noon until 8 p.m. 3742 W. Irving Park Road. 478-5188. A new, not-for-profit gallery set up to promote photography as a fine art.

MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS-237 E. Ontario. Special events--lecture by Enrico Baj on his own work--painting, sculpture and collage. Thursday Sept. 16 8 p.m. Exhibition of 53 of his works runs thru October 24.

Tours of the Museum of Contemporary Art can be arranged by calling Helen Ratzner, 943-7755.

COMMUNITY

Special book sale at Alices, 950 W. Wrightwood. Sat & Sun, Sept 18 & 19 from noon to 6 p.m. books, books and more books--cheap--both paperbacks and hardbacks--some rare old finds! Classics, best sellers, textbooks, science fiction, political, religious, mysteries, gothics, childrens, cookbooks, music and raft books, magazines and albums--and more!

Veterans Day downtown parade and mass rally against the war, Monday October 25. For further information, contact Vietnam Veterans Against the war, 922-0065.

Free breakfast for children 8:30 to 10 a.m. at People's Information Center, 2154 N. Halsted and also at Parish of the Holy Covenant, Wilton & Diversey. For more information, call 549-8626 or 472-1791.

Free legal clinic at TWO headquarters, 1135 E. 63rd Street; Wed from 7 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday at 7 p.m. and Sat at 4 p.m. Political education classes are held by the Black Panther Party. 924-6575 or 738-0778.

TRIAD COSMIC RADIO weeknites from 8 to 12 p.m. on 106 FM.

Gay community center at 171 W. Elm, open every nite and all weekend fro informal rapping. Everyone welcome. Chicago Gay Alliance meetings held every Saturday at 7 p.m. followed by a communal dinner. (open til 1 a.m. on weekends.) Gay Youth (both men and women) meet at the center 8 p.m. every Friday. RADICAL LESBIANS meet every Sat at 2 p.m. at the center. Gay Power to Gay people!

COLLEGE OF COMPLEXES meets at St. Regis Cafe, 105 W. Grand Avenue every Saturday nite at 9 p.m. for talks followed by open ended discussion. Sat. Sept 18, Helen King, assistant editor of Ebony magazine. Sat. Sept 25, Ira G. Hurley of the American Diverce Association for Men. \$1 tuition. Slim Brundage (authentic Chicago landmark) presiding. Chicago's last outpost of free speech and discussion.

The Action Committee for Decent Childcare holds weekly meetings. If you are interested, call Heather Booth 538-3063 or Nancy Neswich 472-0254.

Up Against the Economy--or how business cashes in on women--featuring a skit, a film discussions of women as consumers, workers and (unpaid) housewives. Literature and posters will be there--childcare available at the meeting. Sunday October 3. 1-5 p.m. Unitaraian Second Church, 656 W. Barry. Sponsored by the Chicago Women's Liberation Union.

NORTHSIDE WOMEN'S LIBERATION. The Sisterhood Center will be open every Monday for open house to welcome and rap with new women. We have other activities too. Call us at 262-2720 or 338-6073. 7071 N. Glenwood.

Monthly meeting of National Organization of Women, (NOW) Sept. 16 7p.m. at 19 W. Jackson.

Chicago Connections--works with prisoners and prisoners families. open meeting every Thursday at 21 E. Van Buren, 7:30 p.m.

A women's rights committee has been formed in the Ill. ACLU to handle matters involving the civil rights and civil liberties of women. will consider any case involving action by any governmental body--federal, state, local or regulated industry. Will also supply speakers. For further info, call 236-5564.

Poetry readings Tuesday from 10 p.m. on at Kingston Mines Company store, 2354 N. Lincoln Avenue.

The United Farm Workers Organizing Committee is currently involved in getting pickets for scab tablegrapes. Other activities also planned. A supporters meetings is held every Wed nite at 7:30 p.m. at their office--call 939-5121 or 939-5120 for further information. HUELGA!

FREE LEGAL CLINIC every Wed from 7 to 10 p.m. at Rising Up Angry office, 2744 N. Lincoln--call 472-1791 for information.

COMING UP THIS FALL: The 101st edition of the Ringling Bros and Barnum & Bailey Circus October 5 thru Oct. 24. Contact the International Amphitheater Box office--927-5580 for further information.

RADIO FREE CHICAGO, Fri, 11:30 to 2:30 at nite, Sat, 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. and Sundays 11:30 to 2:30 at night on 97.1 FM

Vigil for peace every Saturday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at State Street between Madison & Washington Sponsored by Women for Peace. Buy a Seed at State & Madison!

MUSIC

PEOPLE'S DANCE. Saturday nite, October 2nd, Taxi, Flight and McLuhan at 8 p.m. \$1. Free food. Third in a series of People's Dances. For location, call 472-1791 or 929-0133. People's Dances are held every 3 weeks in different neighborhoods.

Alices Revisited, 950 W. Wrightwood. Blues for September: Sunday the 19th and 26th, the Chicago River Blues Band. Jazz for Sept.: Fri & Sat the 17th and 18th, the Philip Upchurch Sextet, and Fri & Sat the 24th & 25th, Kalaparusha, Maurice McIntyre and the light jazz ensemble, AACM. Rock for Sept: Wed the 15th, 22nd and 29th: Hoona with Ted Aliotta. Open at 7 p.m. on Sat and Fri, 4 p.m. on other days. Closed Monday and Thursday this month. Call 528-4250 for further information. You must be 18 on weekends.

L.I.F.E., Inc., 1022 W. Roscoe St. has live music on weekends. You must be 21. Friday Sept. 17, Flight plus Dennis & Carl. Sat. Sept 18. Otis Rush plus Dennis & Carl. Friday Sept. 24, Mountain Bus plus the Joe Kelly Blues Band. Sat Sept 25th, Short Stuff plus the Joe Kelly Blues Band. Doors open at 9 p.m. First set at 10. \$2.

The Barbarossa (the folksingers folk club) feature Tary Rebenar Sunday thru Thursdays at 10:30 p.m. Other entertainers on Fri and Sat. Call 944-8959 for information. No cover. This is a bar, you must be 21. Located 1117 N. Dearborn.

Cafe Pergolesi, coffeehouse, 3402 N. Halsted. Bridge, chess, discussion, baroque music Sat. and Sun until 1 a.m. no cover open nightly. Conversation and folk singers at the Latern, free refreshments. basement rear of the house at 714 Rebe Place in Evanston 9 p.m.-? Fri. Also at 9 p.m. on Sundays.

Orphans, 2462 N. Lincoln, Live folk music, Wed thru Sundays 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. 929-2677 for information. Nice bartender.

Shed Coffeehouse, 1020 W. Bryn Mawr, 8 p.m. to midnight. Thurs and Fri. Free peanuts, live music. No cover. 25 cents per drink requested donation.

WISEFOOLS PUB, 2270 N. Lincoln. Wilderness Road every Thursday nite, \$1 admission. Hoona Tuesdays. Two drink minimum. This is a bar, you must be 21. Call 929-1510.

Folksinging Fri, Sat & Sun at 11 p.m. at Kingston Mines Company Store, 2354 N. Lincoln Ave.

Rahab's--a coffeehouse at 1207 W. Balmoral (5400 N.) Fri and Sat & Sun at 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. 50 cents cover. Food and entertainment.

EARL OF OLD TOWN, 1615 N. Wells Street. Thru third week of Sept--Steve Goodman and John Prine 9 pm to 4 a.m.

McLuhan, mixed media music and Chuck Perrin folksinger every Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at It's Here, 6455 N. Sheridan Road, \$2. Call 743-9781 for more information.

The Puppet Place--Earth, Fire, Water and Air. Fri, Sat, Sun at 8 p.m. 3402 N. Halsted. FREE.

Modern Jazz Showcase. Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m./ 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. at the North Park Hotel. 1936 N. Clark--alll ages welcome--info. 664-1844. Admission is \$4.

MOVIES

Little Stabs of Happiness Cinema-theque at the 2nd Unitarian Church 656 Barry Ave. Sponsored by the Center Cinema Co-op. Every Mon at 8 p.m. Every program includes one or more experimental films and the first 13 will include Betty Boop Cartoons. Single admission is \$1.50. Series tickets for five programs \$5. Here's the schedule: Sept 20: The 39 Steps (Hitchcock), Sept 27: The Blue Angel, Oct 4: Zero for Conduct, Oct 11: The Wild One, October 18: Potemkin (highly recommended), Oct 25: White Zombie, Nov 1: Experimental Film Night, Nov 8: Topaze with John Barrymore, Nov 15: Coney Island, Nov 22: Sherlock Holmes Jr. Dec 6: Corruption of the Damned, Dec 13: Variety.

Alice's Revisited, 950 W. Wrightwood Showings at 8 and 10 p.m. every Tuesday. Donation at the Door Sept: Italian Films. Sept 14: Il Grido (the outcry-1957) directed by Michelangelo Antonioni, Sept 21: Open city (1945) directed by Roberto Rossellini and written by Federico Fellini (highly, highly recommended--you must see this film). And Sept 28: Before the Revolution (1964) Written and directed by Bernardo Bertolucci. Call 528-4250 for further info.

The Women's Film will be shown the 2nd Sunday in October. Call 348-2011 for details. The film is also available for distribution and showings by other groups.

Wright College's Exploring the Art Film Course offers a tour of seven feature films and short art films conducted by ex-Seed film critic and college prof Bob Blackwood. To register, send \$1 (the only charge for the course) to Wright Office of Continuing Ed. 3400 N. Austin Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60634. Include name, address, phone and name of the course before Sept 28 if possible. Register in person at Wright from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sept. 29, 30, and Oct. 1. All films will be shown in the Little Theatre of Notre Dame High School, 3000 N. Mango on Fri. nights at 7:30 p.m. All foreign films are in subtitles. Oct. 8--Welles's "The Immortal Story" Polanski's "Mammals", Clair's "Entr'acte", Hubley's "Windy Day", Anderson's "Basic Film Terms." Oct. 15, Polanski's "Repulsion" Oct 22: Reis's "Loves of Isadora" Oct 29: Dreyer's "Vampyr", Nov 5: Kurosawa's "Hidden Fortress", Nov. 12: Wajda's "Kanal" Nov. 19: Godard's "Masculine-Feminine and Dec 3: Letouch's "A Man and a Woman."

Film conference Sept 25 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at Wright College 3400 N. Austin. Zero Mostel in Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot" at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Paul Robeson in "The Emperor Jones" at 7 p.m. followed by "Malcolm X Speaks. Many other films. \$2.50 advance registration (call SP-7-7900) or \$3.50 at the door.

Japanese Cinema--the latest Japanese films every Saturday and Sunday at Francis W. Parker Auditorium, 2247 N. Clark Streets Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 and 7 p.m.

FREE movies at Noahs, 934 W. Webster every Monday at 8 p.m. (This is a bar--you must either be 21, crouch down low, have a fake id, or --if not--you probably won't get hassled anyway--not a bad place).

Films for 50 cents Wed. nites at 10 p.m. at Kingston Mines Company store, 2354 N. Lincoln Avenue.

Museum of Contemporary Art, 237 E. Ontario. British Film Institute Films, Thursday September 30 at 8 p.m.

Sorry theater people--there was no more room this issue--full directory of plays will appear next issue.

CLASSES

On going self defense classes Sat. morn at Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E. 59th St. in Hyde Park at 9 a.m. (men and women) Monday and Thurs nite at 6 p.m. at the IWW hall, 2440 N. Lincoln Ave. (women only). Everyone should learn to defend themselves.

Kriya Yoga Class by Yogi S.A.A. Ramiah, disciple of Mahavatar Babaji, every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at 2842 N. Orchard St. number 11. 549-0031.

Chinese Gung-Fu is an esoteric science of self-defense that aims to create a divine man and woman. Parkway Community Center, 500 E. 67 Street. Call John Thomas 493-1306 for further information.

The Peoples School, 4409 N. Sheridan Rd. is having liberation classes, features courses in philosophy, music, the occult, photography, street medicine, earth class, Afro-Amerikan history, creative writing, etc. Mon thru Thursday and FREE. For info, call 561-6737.

Correspondance course in Afro-American history available from DuSable Museum of African - American history, 3806 S. Michigan. Tuition \$25, payable in installments.

Peoples economics research/action project of the Chicago Area Group on Latin America is researching Chicago institutions and their operations in Latin America. (See last issue, this issue and next issue of the Seed for their research on Sears & Roebuck.) Meet every Monday nite at 7:30 p.m. at 800 W. Belden (downstairs, McCormick Seminary library).

Fourth well Players drama workshop meets every Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and every Mon. Tuesay and Thurs at 7:30 p.m. at the Zodiac 2938 W. 63rd or the Lively Word Bookstore, 2942 W. 63rd. Call 776-0130 or Vicky Wagner at 476-1477.

Alices Revisited, 950 W. Wrightwood. Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. free legal advice, 7 p.m. Psycho-drama (new members) 7:30 (regular members) Sat. there is a children's program at 2 p.m. For more info call 528-4250.

Alternative University--U or I. Circle Campus. Photography, psychology, ROTC for civilians. etc. Call 663-4661.

Hare Krishna, Bhakti Yoga Classes, Tues and Thurs eve at 6:30 p.m. at "Just Books" store, Altgeld at Halsted. All are welcome. Free.

The Alternate College will once again hold classes at the Zodiac Coffeehouse, 2938 W. 63rd, this fall. Classes will include knitting, crocheting, macrame, leather craft and weaving. The college will resume classes Oct 4th to Dec. 11. For info, call 783-0775.

The Old Town School of Folk Music is beginning its 14th year of guitar and banjo lessons. Classes in either are available for people at all stages of development. For information, call 525-7472.

The School is also beginning a series of Sunday Sings, Sept 19 at the school, 909 W. Armitage. Come and sing along!

Fall Session--Liberation School for Women. Starts October 4th with an introduction session at 7:30 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church, 555 W. Belden. There will be a description of all the courses to be offered and a chance to decide which one women want to take. Courses to be offered will include: Women in Literature, Organizing on a College Campus, Education and Women, Nutrition, Women and Their Bodies, A study group on the family, Dance for Women, Silkscreening--some basic skills, Writers Workshop, Marxism-----plus a course for men on Womens Liberation which will be taught by men. For more information, people can call or write Liberation School, Chicago Women's Liberation Union 852 West Belmont, 348-2011. Classes are \$3 apiece and run for six weeks, one meeting a week.

CALENDAR LISTINGS ARE FREE

Send notices of upcoming events to Calendar c/o Seed, 950 W. Wrightwood

Labor Pains: ECONOMIC FASCISM



Fascism is what it's all about. Economic fascism. A lot of people forget that fascism is an economic as well as a political system; the two go hand in hand. Maybe a little historical information would help explain what economic fascism is, and how this country is into it now.

In the days following what is euphemistically called the First Great War, the economy of Europe was largely shattered. The highly developed imperialist capitalism that had made the war lay shattered. Trade had been interrupted, production facilities destroyed or converted to war production and not easily convertible into peace times uses, the armies of returning soldiers flooded job markets incapable of absorbing them, governments became unstable and were incapable of supporting their currency so that inflation reached incredible degrees.

Three countries in particular were hard hit—Russia, Germany and Italy. In Russia the workers and peasants had risen up during the war and had taken the means of production into their own hands, and even while the continuing civil war in Russia disrupted development, Russian post-war recovery using a collective rather than competitive basis far outstripped that of the other hard-hit European nations.

Germany, the major loser of the war, found itself saddled with huge war reparations and extensive loss of territory. In addition, many German plants were completely disassembled and taken by allied victors, particularly France. The result was incredibly high unemployment and an inflation rate so bad that a bundle of paper Marks big enough to be carried in a wheel barrow was required to buy a loaf of bread. In this situation there was strong sentiment among German workers to follow the socialist party of Russia.

Italy, nominally a victor power in the war, but which had taken home few of the victor's spoils due to some fancy footwork on the part of her wartime allies during the Versailles peace talks, suffered not only from the usual post-war problems but was underdeveloped to begin with. It too was faced with a strong workers' movement to take control of production.

The capitalists of Germany and Italy were in a very bad position. Their own inability to intelligently manage their own affairs had resulted in a disastrous war and had brought them to the edge of total collapse and worse, their workers were about to take from them the very vehicles they planned to use to insure their won recovery. In order to save themselves, they had to take a course of action to align themselves with nationalistic military men who could at once subdue by force the growing workers rebellions and undertake an organized plan for rebuilding the economy. This organized planning would have to be centered in the state which would have the authority to strongly regulate production and labor use and would provide a central banking service which would finance recovery. Thus the

capitalists had to undertake essentially liberal reform to save themselves. In the resultant economic system they lost substantial immediate controls over their own industries to the government while being guaranteed increased profits. This economy was then sold to the people as liberal reform which would solve the problems of unemployment and inflation.

In America the pattern was somewhat different, but if checked closely follows a familiar pattern. While Europe tottered on the brink of economic disaster dur-

ing the 20's, America went through an almost unprecedented period of economic expansion and was thus not immediately susceptible to the problems of Europe. But after 1929 when the economy collapsed under the weight of its own too rapid growth, some sort of basic economic reform had to be instituted. Franklin Roosevelt, for one, recognized the growing militancy of American workers in the face of rapidly deteriorating economic conditions and determined that an unrestricted free trade economy could no longer be counted on to produce steady economic growth. Clearly he saw the need for liberal economic reform. So it was that the New Deal was most importantly the bringing of controls of production into the hands of the government by means of increased regulation of both business and labor and by increasing the government's role as a central development bank. This program of economic reform clearly followed the economic pattern of fascism—a strongly state regulated economy coupled with continued private ownership of the means of production. The pattern since the 30's has been one of increasing the government's controls of production with particular advances in this direction being made during the "emergency" of the war years and under the liberal democratic leadership of the sixties. Greater and greater direct regulations of business and labor has also been supplemented by the indirect use of Keynesian economic methods to control the availability of money. Thus the "creeping socialism" the right-wing free-enterprisers have been screaming about for years is really creeping fascism.

Since the tight regulation of labor is essential to the success of any plan for a fascist economy, it is not surprising to examine the long list of regulatory laws passed regarding labor over the past three decades. Collectively they have the effect of severely limiting the kind of organizing possible, call for large bonding programs to restrict the growth of new and small unions, forbid the closed union shop, make the officials of unions subject to government approval by forbidding convicted "criminals" and "communists" from holding office, called for "cooling off" periods of 90 days in strikes that "threaten the public interest." The list goes on. The essential effects of the regulatory laws is that the unions become dependent on the government by means of such things as the National Labor Relations Board rather than an independent force really cap-

able of taking strong action against the bosses.

Seen in this light, President Nixon's recent activities on the economic field can more easily be assessed—

they represent the simple escalation of policies designed to make economic fascism a total reality, the obvious course to take to combat when presented with overwhelming evidence that previous measures have not been enough to fully control the economy and to fight the rising tide of unrest among workers and the poor.

But Nixon is pretty cagy. He knows that an indefinite extension of his 90 day wage-price freeze, although it currently enjoys some support in the country, would soon begin to expose itself for what it is—a repression of the poor and laboring classes. Therefore he went before a joint session of Congress and declared that the freeze would not be extended beyond the announced 90 days. He had to do this or face a national loss of support. Yet he also knows that a mere 90 day freeze will not be enough to put the crippled capitalist economy back on its feet, that longer more sustained action must be taken. What he is doing now you can be sure, is drawing up plans for effective but less obvious means of control, particularly on wages. He has already announced the formation of tri-part advisory groups to be made up of the representatives of business, the government, and labor bureaucrats too tied into the system to make genuine challenges to it. This board will probably propose something on the line of not an absolute freeze on wages, but rather a freeze on labor's over-all share in productivity. The effect would be roughly the same, although allowing some individual wage increases if they are accompanied by corresponding profit gain. This plan would have to involve the acquiescence of the major unions, but George Meany and the other labor fakers have already expressed a willingness to go along, primarily because they know that such share freeze would provide a less defined target for critics to aim at. Juggling of tax credits to give major breaks to corporations is also part of the Nixon plan. These tax breaks would essentially be to encourage construction of new facilities but would also have the effect of re-imbursing corporations for possible losses in the temporary price freeze. I say temporary price freeze because it is quite likely that there will be no extension on the freeze of consumer prices, although there may be some attempt to keep prices in basic industry in line.

It is also interesting to note that the liberal Democratic contenders for the presidency, while not supporting Nixon's specific proposals on the wage-price freeze all favor some kind of freeze themselves. Many of them had been actively calling for such a freeze for months before Nixon made his move. Most contend that STRONGER controls are needed such as Sen. George McGovern proposed "equality of sacrifice." If this seems strange, it is important to remember that liberal politicians in the New Deal were largely responsible for the development of economic fascism in this



country.

The losers in all of this are, of course, the working class and the poor. Welfare recipients will find their checks even more frozen than most with special benefits increasingly hard to come by, and in some states actual reductions in amounts received. The unorganized working class, more than 60% of the total, particularly in such low paying industries as agriculture, hotels and restaurants, textiles, and small shops who are already behind on income, will find it even more difficult to raise their standard of living. Public employees who lag far behind private workers in both wages and fringe benefits will also feel the bind. Organized workers whose union bureaucrats will basically go along with the freeze are left without effective representation.

In order to fight this economic repression, a broad base coalition of the poor and working classes will be necessary. A new movement must be started just as the Black and anti-war movements were started, to combat this war on the poor. This movement must be a peoples' movement, not one with liberal political hangers-on, for they have proved to us their true role in developing the economic fascism we must fight.

Radical historian and community organizer Staughton Lynd has proposed some specific strategies to be used in the building of a new economic movement. These proposals include

1) Struggle to preserve the right to strike and to extend it to public employees and to locals of international unions.

2) Oppose joint labor-management committees on productivity, whether at the national level or at the plant level as in the recent steel contract.

3) Concentrate on enforcing a peoples freeze on food prices, and on the neighborhood supermarket as the best place to bring pressure on food prices.

4) Combine the organization of food co-ops with confrontation techniques of picketing, boycotts and sit-ins.

5) Take advantage of the Office of Emergency Planning directive that supermarkets must make available for public inspection a list of their maximum prices during the month prior to Aug. 15.

6) Campaign for genuine tax reform such as the reduction or abolition of the sales tax and property tax on individuals and shift the burden of taxation to corporate property or income.

7) Encourage reduction of overtime hours to insure full employment.

8) Encourage occupation of industries which are laying off or closing and demanding workers controls of the job such as the Scottish ship builders on the Clyde River have done.

9) Wide-spread teach-in on the Nixon economic program in communities and union halls.

Other forms of struggle are also needed, particularly in the labor movement. Labor must regain the militancy lost during years of repressive government regulation. This means that some laws will have to be broken or ignored but the power of direct action must be restored to the labor movement. Workers in established unions should fight for control of their own unions and institute the tactics of the wildcat and sit-

down strikes. The unorganized must be brought into revolutionary unions that will not be limited to NLRB or other government attempts at regulation, but will instead fight for a decent standard of living no matter what the bosses or the government try to do to stop them. The unemployed should form their own unions to demand work and to support the activities of their fellow workers still in the shop. The aim should be solidarity of the working class leading to city-wide, statewide, even national general strikes demanding a return of the fruits of labors work to labor. As big Bill Haywood once said, there is nothing so powerful as an organized working class with its arms folded.

As a beginning to the labor response to economic fascism in Chicago, several unions, including the Association of Federal Government Employees, the American Federation of State, County, Municipal Employees, the Independent Union of Public Aid Employees, the Industrial Workers of the World, the United Shoe-workers, and SCLC Labor Committee have called for a demonstration at the Federal Building, Thursday, September 16th, at 4:30 pm.

—Wobbly Murf

Steal this Crib cont.

Program pays you not to grow cotton. Also, look into the Soil Bank Program of the United States Development Association and various Department of Forestry programs which pay you to plant trees. Between not planting cotton and planting trees, you should be able to manage.

LIST OF COMMUNES

The most complete list of city and country communes is available for \$1.00 from Alternatives Foundation, Modern Utopian, 1526 Gravenstein Highway North, Sebastopol, California 95427. The phone is (707) 823-6168. The list is kept up to date. For all communes, you must write in advance if you plan to visit. Almost every commune will give you information about the local conditions and the problems they face if you write them a letter. Here is a list of some you might like to write to for more information. Avoid becoming a free-loader on your sisters and brothers.

California
ALTERNATIVES FOUNDATION—Box 1264, Berkeley California 94709. (Dick Fairfield) Communal living, total sexuality, peak experience training centers. Dedicated to the cybernated tribal society.

BHODAN CENTER OF INQUIRY—Sierra Route, Oakhurst, California 93644. Phone (209) 683-4976 (Charles Davis) Seminars on Human Community, IC development on the land, founded in 1934, 13 members. Trial period for new members. Visitors check in advance.

Colorado
DROP-CITY—Rt. 1, Box 125, Trinidad, Colorado 81082. Founded in 1965. New members must meet specific criteria. Anarchist, artist, dome houses.

New Mexico
LAMA FOUNDATION—Box 444, San Cristobal, N.M. New York

CITY ISLAND COMMUNE—284 City Island Ave., Bronx, N.Y. Visitors check in advance. Revolutionary.

ATLANTIS I—RFD 5, Box 22A, Saugerties, N.Y. 12477 Visitors and new members welcome.

Oregon
FAMILY OF MYSTIC ARTS—Box 546, Sunny Valley, Oregon.

Pennsylvania
TANGUY HOMESTEADS—West Chester, Pennsylvania Suburban, non-sectarian, co-op housing and community fellowship.

Washington
MAGIC MOUNTAIN—52nd St. and 19th Streets, Seattle Washington. (c/o Miriam Roder).

INTERCOURSE *Revisited*

Dennis, Tienie, Fred and Tub please call me. Love ya. Jo.

Insomniac red-handed bicycle clipper 9/5 4 a.m.—a thousand blessings on yr. head for sparing mine & screw the political aspects. What was the name of that lock? I forgot. Ellen 787-0254.

John O'Neal buzz Henry the fiddler at 528-8279.

Al, sorry that I couldn't go out with ya. But we could be good friends, ok? Your a great guy. See ya at the store. Pam.

Billy Jo (Gary Jay) Pascoe—reportedly of Aurora (formerly of 1702 N. Burling, Chgo). please call Edie (either person to person or collect—not both) 338-6827. I'm still concerned about you. I'm fine now don't worry. I'm not mad. So smile.

Jim with the orange pinto. John lost your tele. number. so I cannot call or find you. I moved and now have an apt. at 1808 N. Mohawk, apt 2. My phone is 642-0328. It has been so long.

Steve. Please contact me at the Seed office 929-0133. Laura, Ron & Kathy. We love you and miss you and need you.

Milt & Linda, Hope everything's looking up. June's a lovely time to have a baby. Zip Zop Collective.

King. Though we are apart my love is still burning strong in my left auricle. Becky.

Lou, I've got a great idea. While you're away, take me semi-seriously. (that's a pretty fair compromise...I think). Mit Horten Gromick, Kath.

Please find me. I will wait for your call. Joan from Wisc.

To the guys who were practicing in the yard on the 1200 block of Fremont—you were great. Sorry the pigs stopped you—the people enjoyed it. Zip Zop Collect.

Will the dude with the curly hair, navy jacket and hunter green & white VW bus who passed a note on a toll ticket saying "where are ya from?" to a group of prisoners on a school bus in Jan. 71 please contact Bonnie at 4701 Cumnor, Downers Grove 60515? (You turned off the Eisenhower near Circle). All joking aside, please.

Madge—when RU coming to live with me? All I can offer u is me & Chgo. i miss u. cosmos

Dad-i love you-nancy.

Bernie—thanks for matchbook. I can't conceive a use for it. Auntie J.

Searching for copies of the Buddhist Canon (The Tipitakas). If you have copies of any of these Volumous Books I would be glad to take them off your hands. I don't got much money but I will pay what I can. Looking especially for the Abhidhamma Pitaka, the Vinaya Pitaka, and the Visuddhimagga of buddhaghosa. Call Richard 251-2860.

War without terms.

Ray the Rev. of Lincoln & Glassburn in the prospering metropolis of Tampico: please be good (no pun intended) and give Chrissie a backrub. She'd enjoy it better from you than one of her girl scouts or myself. She loves you too.

Gay Alliance—happy 1st birthday. We may disagree on politics but we are still your brothers. Thank you for being a strong voice for Gay Chicago. Struggle! Fiery Flames.

Diane—sorry that things couldn't work out between you and John (BJ). Maybe you will find someone else. See ya around and keep smiling. Pam.

Sept. 25 is the first anniversary of STAR (Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries). In one year STAR has done much to change the Gay men's community's ideas about our sexism toward transvestites. We must ALL deal with OUR sexism. STAR we love you! Fiery Flames.

Tom Fitch—(somewhere in New Town) Do you remember me? I got into your cab on Wilson & Broadway in front of the El station on April 23 and you got me wrecked on some dynamite stuff on the way to the Southwest Side. I'm looking for you. I want to see you again. Call me at 728-5951 after 9 p.m. If no answer, try again BONNIE.

Will the girl who sat next to me I was wearing a black beret & an army shirt with the sleeves cut off, in the far right side of the first balcony. For the Allman Bros. Concert. Please call 431-8968 between 4 p.m. & midnight Monday thru Friday and ask for Mike.

Ron from Memphis—you have ruined me for this life. Please come back and we can talk this thing out. Phyllis from Fairbury.

To Laury, Eric, Tom, George, Goce, Bunny Rene, stay high wherever you are. Abbie (scultz).

Cribs



Intercourse:

Wanted: Two female roommates to help pay rent on bedroom apartment starting Oct. 1. North Side. Nancy. 334.8485.

6 room apt to share with young girl. \$10 a week with kitchen privileges. Located N.W. side of Chicago or Albany near Armitage. Call Marilyn oilloway at 252-1924.

Five women desparately need a 4 or 5 bedroom apt. or town house in the Lincoln park-Lakeview area. Will pay up to \$300 per mo. Call 929-2271.

Roomate Wanted, new air conditioned small apartment, 6830 N. Sheridan Rd. Male, female, okay. No rip offs or heavy doper types. Rent \$61 a month. Norm 338-0928. after 5 p.m.

for **Sale or Trade**

Ampeg SVT 300 Watt amp 2 cabinets with D140's, 6 month old. \$800. Call 388-5038.

For sale: complete deck of tarot cards (French deck) & instruction book. \$4.50. Contact Lisa at 752-5565. If I'm not home, leave name and number and be explicit as I have two space-headed, STRAIGHT brothers.

For sale: one medium-firm mattress. and box springs in good condition--\$35 or best offer. Call Rita, 252-1684 (weekdays after 5:30, anytime weekends).

Leaving town Oct. 22 and selling: 1962 Rambler, stick, seats go down, runs, \$50. Gas stove, works, \$15. "Frigidaire" refrig. \$20 (also works). Stove and refrig together \$30. (prefer to sell these two items around Oct. 21). Kitchen table & 4 chairs, \$10 or will bargain. Also miscellaneous free books, baby clothes and other stuff. Contact Seed, Box MSD.

1961 Volvo 544 for sale, dependable transportation, many new parts. \$250. Jim. 848-6773.

48 passenger school bus-new engine, good tires-inside fixed up fine. A-1 mech. Former circus bus-well taken care of-good karma. Must sell immediately-deperate for cash. Call 414-273-0269.

19 pre recoded cassette tapes \$25. Contac Al Rivera. Seed Box number 7.

Ampeg 3 pick up guitar with case. Made in England. Collectors item \$300 or best offer. Write Mark Van Goey, 1466 Berkshire Dr. South Bend, Ind. 46614.

Cadillac in running condition. \$175. Phone BITE-LSO.

Siamese Kittens for sale, we also have two Siamese males at stud, one is a seal pt. the other a Frost pt. Both are handsome cats with anice personality. For more info, please call 629-5158.

Complete U.S. Diver's scuba outfit (incl. wetsuit). Used only 5 times. \$175. Cheap. Call Harry 348-0726 after 6 p.m.

Northland skis boots poles \$35 call Larry 348 0726 after 6 p.m.

Roomate wanted for 3 bedroom apt. Reliabl- & happy \$80 either sex. Call 477-4945. after 5 New (never used) nylon mummy sleeping bag, no sewn-thru seams, guaranteed to keep you warm down to 20 degrees. Best offer. Call Henry 528 8279.

Coneer tone, reverseomatic Stereo tape deck. Professional type, with shure mike. New \$450 Now \$100. Norm after 5 p.m.

Custom 400 2 piece amplifier for sale. \$500 or best offer. 772-0628. after 6.

The car is a 1970 dodge super bee very low milage 2 door 4 speed, headers, mag. wheels orange body & black vinyl top price \$2300. 248-0762

Young dude hard up for a ruck sack (tear shape type) and frame will trade a bulky but good conditioned Frame and backpack worth \$30 for one. or will sell mine for \$20. Good deal? Call george. 264-2443.

Old, white fender tremolux amp good condition brand new tubes \$170. Call Peter Weekday eves 869-6369.

Yamaha FG 230 12 string guitar Exclpt cond. \$100 Call after 5:30 (815) 858.2009 ask for Ward.

Final days of our fabric & house sale. Wonderful bargains and lots of interesting items 1208 W. Wrightwood, 2nd floor Rebecca & Benet.

1949 Nash, 4 door with convertible seat that turns into double bed. Excellent condition. 40,000 original miles. Can drive anywhere. \$495. 338-6374.

Am-fm stereo receiver-amplifier w 2 speakers. BSR turntable, & columbia 8 track deck. All recently bought. all for \$100 or will separate. Also albums & 8 track tapes from \$1 to \$2. And Am-FM clock radio, for \$15. Before Oct. 10. 271-5798.

The Men's Pages--a collection of essays on male liberation from sex roles, available for 50¢ from Bob Shurtleff, 909 Foster, Evanston, Ill. 60201.

Nikon FTN with 50 & 105 mm Lens many filters, close up & slide copy attachments acc. Nikon 50 mm f1.4 lens concord am/fm mono cassette player Garrad MKII40 changer Super & reg. 8 movie editor & splicer Honeywell elmo super 8, 4:1 zoom Movie camera Johnson-viking short wave transmitter RME6900 10-80 meter receiver, Roberts 4000 D stereo tape deck. Slide and b/w film, poloro&d & movie film. 468-7770 mornings. Chuck.

RIDES
Leaving for New York City Sept 27
Riders wanted to share expenses
Call Ken 287-7618

Male freak-wandering Mexico, Yucatan and for 3 months. Leaving Dec. 22, wants one to share gas expenses on camper there & back. Write B. Davis c/o Box 08.

Need a ride to N.Y. city to arrive Oct. 14 someone able to get a driveway. We will pay for it! Leave message for rebecca & benet. 929-0133.

RIDE BOARD--334-7668 after 5. Need Ride to S.F. or L.A. Leave around Sept. 22 thru 25th. Will share expenses. Leave name & number at the Seed, 929-0133 for George.

Riders wanted to L.A. leave Oct 1st. Help drive, share exp. Call Ben 792-2734 before 11 a.m.

Ride wanted to West Coast for woman, 25, moving to Eugene Ore Need space for small trunk & stereo-pref in van or station wagon. Willing to pay and share driving. 472-9787.

Drive with me to L.A. Share expenses. 929-2223.

Signs
Moving & hauling very cheap. call 248-0313 ask for Terry.

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Liberal physicist, near Ph.D., author and editor, I.Q. near top 2%, scholastic honors, multi-talented seeks interesting job in Chicago, hopefully with Leftist or peace organization. Will relocate to Chicago soon. Please write Occupant, 1683 N. 4th St. Columbus, Ohio 43201.

Licensed driver with car needed to teach unlicensed driver to drive automatic (no stick) trans. Times to suit. \$50 plus gas. Call Ca-7-4526. Ask for Jay. If not at home, leave message.

Man, 29, new to Chicago, would like to get into free school or other liberated trip for fun & subsistence. Near Ph.D. (social science) with teaching, research and editing experience. 326-4743.

Photographer will shoot and/or develop B& W or color, prints, slides or movies, Also anyone into concept photography, call 539-6384.

A gay freak, 22 B.A. in political science is looking for work--any type. Call John Cantrell at 348:9020, Apt. 201.

Free
Free cats to good home only 2. 1 year old female cats they have been fixed and have shots. 693-3481.

Free 2 year old black male neutered cat to people who will be less cruel than the anti-cruelty society. 664-6499.

Free cats and kittens--467-7584 between 8:30 and 4:30 or 275-8925 ask for Laurie. Home delivery. Order your cat today!

FREE TYPEWRITERS TO COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS call Seed 929-0133.

Wanted
Flash! lonely rreak needs someone to write. In prison for drugs. James Leslie, Box 3173, Columbia, S.C. 29203.

Send \$8 for subscription to the newspaper of the California Prisoners Union, P.O. Box 6858, Sacramento Calif.

Do you sew, paint, make candles, do bead work or wood carvings or whatever if so, call patty at 348-8374 or come by and see us at 1123 W. Webster--we would like to sell your handicrafts

Dear Smilie, May 31 to long to wait come home soon.
Ramblin Boy

Upright piano wanted-free or very cheap. Ask for Dennis 539-6384.

Looking for person to share apt. with 274-9845. Bill.

Camping equipment wanted. Kelty back pack. & frame also 2 man Mountain Tent ask for Rich at Seed 929-0133.

Apartment to share. \$30. 929-5185

Draft counselors: the American Friends Service Committee, 407 S. Dearborn is in desperate need of additional counselors: we counsel several hundred men each month. If you can help, please call 427-2533.

Would like traveling companion for bike & camping trip in Calif. would like to leave about Nov. 1 Hitch out there call 338-2871. Ask for John O.

Need a used folk guitar-in good condition. Preferably a Martin for under \$100. I know that sounds like a dream but I figure that with a little help from my friends even miracles are possible. I can only pay on the installment plan. Please contact me at the Seed 929-0133 Leave a message for Mary Kaye. Thanx.

Desparately need place to crash beginning Oct. 13. fun-loving female, loves cats and outdoors woods, mountains sea. Write Liz Besore 1016 S. Michigan, Wheaton, Ill. 60187. (call 668-0834 anytime after Sept. 13-if not home JUST leave name & how to contact).

xxx
Needed: a practice piano or two for crippled an- brain injured kids. Call 935-2889. Elizabeth Starks.

I need 21 ID cards, must fit this description: mael, ht. 5'10", wt 185, hari 5'10". wt 185, hair bld or brn Eyes brn. Am willing to pay. Call John, days 834-3782.

Lonely very liberal interesting hip philosopher, 29, Detroit will trade place to crash week of Sept. 13 for same Chicago week of Sept. 20th or separate arrangement. Couple who knows people ideal. Peace. A. Michael 13954 Forrer, 48227.

27 y.o. gay. tall thin. new to area seeks friends. Write Box FRIEND.

Music
Want to learn how to play the harp. Call To-3 2375 and leave message.

Blues Rock base player with own equipment needed in Decatur area phone or write immediately to Dave Dalluge, 128 Merada Dr. Decatur, Ill. 677-2666.

Wanted: vocalist, male or female for established rock band. To do material by Niel Young. Heavy Blues. Chicago Blues & original material, age 17-20. Must have own transportation. Call 766-0919 except on Wensdays. Ask for David.

Established Rock Blues group needs exp. bass guitar player must have own equipment. "Big Amps." and P.A. system helps. Call John 561-0497. after 6:30.

Wanted: guitarist and reed player (alto preferred) for addition to electric piano and

Misc
Gay brothers must come together in loving brotherhood to deal radically with the oppression of our Gay sisters & brothers. Sexist exploitation and pig repression of our people must end. Fiery Flames is into fighting our oppressors & freeing ourselves. Join us! Freeing ourselves. Join us! Fiery Flames Collective c/o Richard Chinn, 628 W. Buckingham, 348-9020.

Warning! A man using the name Peter Jucker, who claims to be from Australia and in some way related to a lot of money (either his father or his wife) has been asking to crash at peoples cribs then ripping them off. He has medium-long brown hair & brown hair 5'9" heavy build. May have light beard or be clean shaven. BEWARE!

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prison, blocked by shot-gun carrying guards from approaching too close. On Thursday, a few lawyers were allowed into the prison for the first time. They confirmed what Clutchette and Drumgo had told their attorneys; all the prisoners told essentially the same story; there had been no escape attempt, only brutal, premeditated murder, and unabated torture, both physical and psychological. By Friday morning, with the demonstrations outside the prison now drawing numbers in the thousands, three white reporters were allowed into the Adjustment Center--accompanied by prison officials.

Not unexpectedly, the distrustful black and brown prisoners who fill the Adjustment Center had little to say to these white strangers and the reporters told the story they were sent in to tell: they saw little evidence of torture or recent beatings. They weren't allowed to see Mancino whose leg had been shot off, nor any other prisoner injured seriously enough to warrant sending him to the hospital. But if nothing else, the visit meant a lessening of the beatings for at least 24 hours for most of the prisoners.

A day later the prison administration had to bow once more to public pressure. Congressman Ron Dellums, state assemblyman Willie Brown and Dr. Carlton Goodlet were admitted into the Adjustment Center although Associate Warden Park and Department of Correction chief Pecunier had denied their request the previous day. But, like the reporters, the black legislators got a superficial tour and had little to say substantiating the lawyer's and prisoner's report.

Hugo Pinell is a Nicaraguan serving a life term and accused of killing one of the eight San Quentin guards who have been slain during the year prior to August 21. As a lifer Pinell faces an automatic death penalty if found guilty of killing the guard. He has been beaten every day without stop since George's death. Even the black legislators, who didn't think any of the prisoners looked like they had been beaten in the last 36 hours before their visit, made an exception of Pinell. Some of the prison administration's rumors imply he was responsible for the knife slayings of the three guards and two white trustees the day of the "escape" attempt.

The prison officials are circulating rumors of conspiracy indictments, charging George Jackson was involved in a pre-planned prison break attempt involving a number of other inmates. In addition to the most obvious--John Clutchette, Fleeta Drumgo and Ruchell Magee--the people who head the list of "rumored conspirators" include Pinell; a young lawyer, Steve Bingham, who was the last to see Jackson; another inmate named Johnny Spain; and George's ex-cellmate Jimmy Carr who is now in a San Francisco county jail.

The state DA charged Steve Bingham with five counts of murder on Aug 31--one for every one killed in the melee except Jackson. There is now an All Points Bulletin out for him. Warden Park has repeatedly stated he believed the gun allegedly smuggled in to Jackson was brought in inside Bingham's portable cassette tape recorder.

Johnny Spain, a 20 year old mulatto arrested in Los Angeles for robbery and recently transferred to Quentin from Soledad, has been described by his lawyers as a "young George Jackson." Prison authorities say Spain went out into the courtyard with Jackson in an "escape attempt," but was not injured because he ducked behind some bushes. Spain was the only person the white reporters described as being obviously as badly injured as he said; they said his body was a maze of raw, red, open sores.

James Carr was arrested in 1961 for armed robbery. He met George Jackson in prison. Jackson taught him to read and write, to do math, to understand Marxism and dialectical and historical materialism in simple and easy to understand terms. In 1970 he was paroled to study and teach math and political science at the University of California at Santa Cruz. Less than a year after his parole, Carr was back in jail, accused of assaulting a guard who attacked and beat George Jackson during a courtroom hearing last spring. Officials hint that they have a letter from Carr and a response from Jackson discussing details of the "escape plan." They claim they found the alleged letter in a pants pocket sent to the cleaners. Carr, denying there had been any such note, angrily told one



reporter who visited him in the county jail: "I loved George Jackson. There's no way I would have let anyone send him a gun or explosives because it would have been suicide."

On Saturday, Aug. 28, several thousand people, young and old, black and white, gathered at St. Augustine Episcopal Church to show their love and respect for George Jackson. The "Panther Church" was the scene of Jonathan Jackson's funeral just a little more than a year ago. But although there were many uncontrolled tears rushing down many faces, there were no tears from Mrs. Georgia Jackson. After Jonathan's funeral George described her as "the perfect mother" for her strength and understanding in the face of her younger son's death. The funeral was not a moment of mourning but a call to action.

Black Panther chairman Bobby Seale read messages of solidarity, support, love and commitment to continue the struggle from around the world and from black brothers and sisters in prison in this country. One message came from the black inmates of Illinois State Penitentiary, another from the California prison convicts who form the Black Militant Front and the People's Liberation Army in various state prisons.

Angela Davis, in a long, deeply-felt message, said in part, "for me, George's death has meant the loss of a comrade and revolutionary leader, but also the loss of irretrievable love. This love is so agonizingly personal as to be indescribable. I can only say that in continuing to love him I will try my best to express my love in the way he would have wanted--by reaffirming my determination to fight for the cause George died defending...."

Hours and days of discussions have taken place since Saturday, August 21, trying to understand and explain what happened and why. There are still too few facts, too many theories and speculations. Although most people feel convinced that he was set up by the guards to be murdered, no one feels totally certain that it wasn't in some way related to an escape attempt. George had long made it known that he was opposed to "concentration camps" mentality. He believed in the right of political prisoners or prisoners of war to escape and would do so when the time came. In the time--three weeks before the start of a trial in which he could more possibly than ever before reveal the barbarity of the California prison system

and the farce of American justice to an intensely interested world. It was not in his interest to miss out on this opportunity by risking death or even going underground after a successful escape. After all, he could just as well escape after the trial.

But it was in the interest of the prison authorities at the highest level, that they silence him before he could take the stand. George Jackson was a very sharp thorn in their side. He effectively educated and organized the prisoners in every prison they sent him to, and he was an eloquent and articulate spokesman who had been able to gain the attention of the outside world. This was at a time when prison officials were being plagued by calls for prison reform from those who they considered "bleeding-heart liberals."

A number of investigating commissions toured various California prisons in the last year or two; without exception they have come out with scathingly unfavorable reports. The prison hierarchy maintains the status quo, even promoting officials of some of the worst prisons, such as Soledad. But they very much wanted to stop this flow of criticism in the press & the state legislature, and they also wanted to clamp down on these radical lawyers who have lately been bombarding the prison system with demands for the rights of prisoners.

Killing George Jackson not only silenced the voice that was causing them so much discomfort; it would serve as a pretext, in the words of Warden James Park, "to go back to the old fashioned prison methods." Parks clearly means an intent of retaliating on the prisoners inside, and maximum efforts to keep the outside world from getting in. Newspapers, such as the Black Panther and the Berkeley Tribe would be banned (probably resulting in a court battle because prisoners are entitled by law to receive anything that can legally be sent through the mail). Tape recorders, a key instrument not only of reporters, but of defense attorneys and legal workers, will be banned. Only state-licensed private investigators will be allowed to interview prisoners, thus eliminating the numerous volunteer investigators whose free work (compared to the high rates of licensed investigators) make defense on a small budget possible. Only one lawyer will be allowed to visit a prisoner, limiting a prisoner's right to counsel to the number of times his one lawyer can get out to visit him.

But even more, as Angela pointed out, it means the return to raw terror. Fleeta and other prisoners were not killed last week, but they had been assured by the guards they would be. Next week, when the spotlight fades, any one of them can be arbitrarily murdered. It can only be prevented by continued, constant focus on the prisons.

In the early morning hours of August 28, bombs went off in the offices of the California Dept. of Correction in San Francisco, San Mateo and the state capital of Sacramento, doing extensive damage. Two of the bombings were claimed by the Weather Underground, the third by the People's Revolutionary Army. Like the firebombings of state vehicles and the Bank of America, carried out by other groups earlier in the week, these bombings were an expression of rage at the murder of George Jackson, and in a broader sense, at the murder and torture of prisoners throughout the country.

That war is clearly going to go on inside San Quentin and countless other prisons this week and in the weeks to come. As long as there is little help from outside, the prisoners will be quietly and systematically murdered.

But the retaliation continues. On the night of August 29, another Bank of America was blown up; almost at the same time, five young blacks entered the Ingleside police station in San Francisco and opened fire--killing one officer--and escaped.

---Karen Wald.

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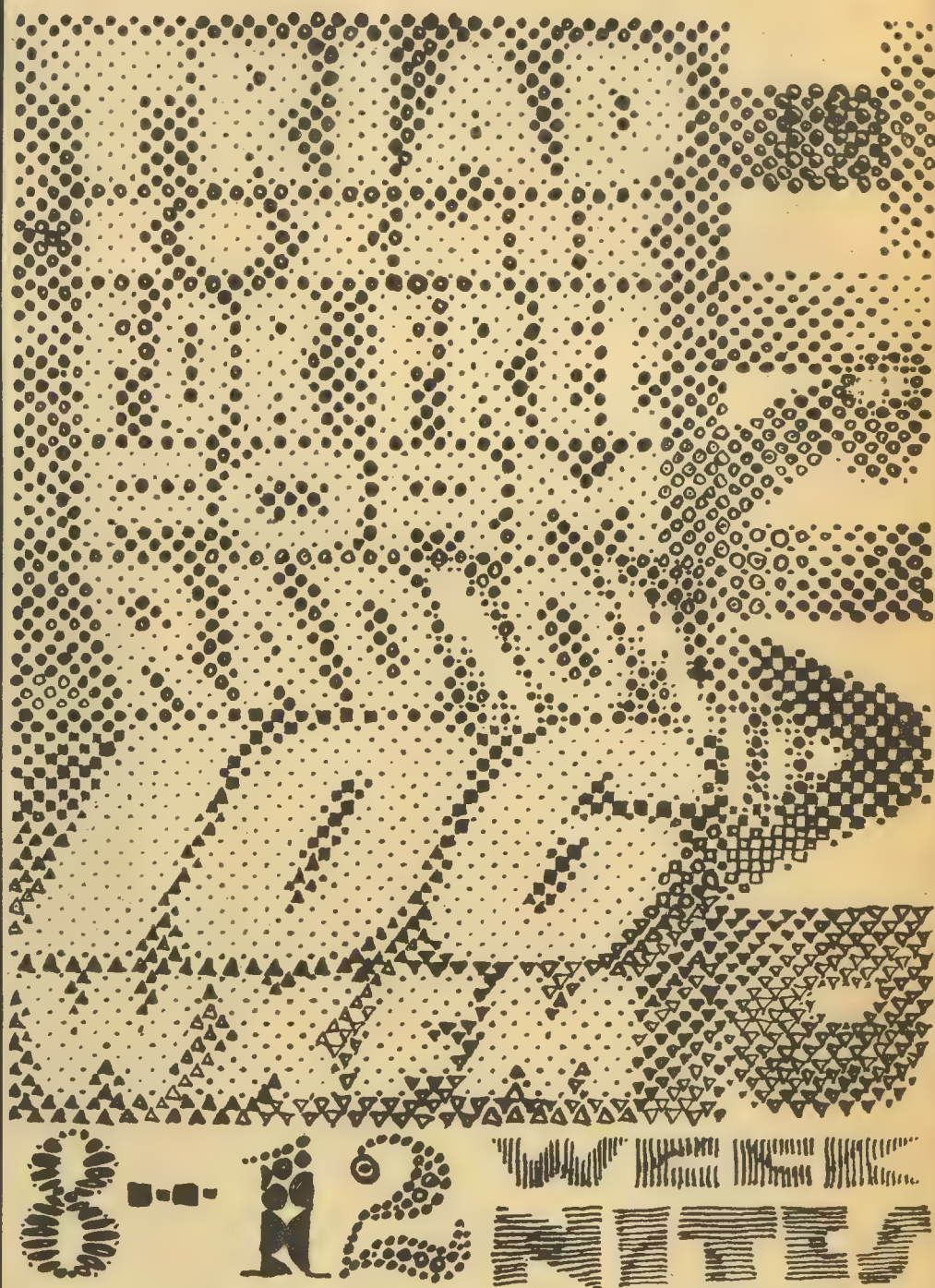
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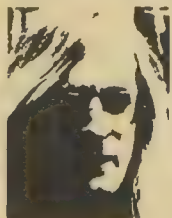
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THE JUDGE Sentenced to life in prison

Fury as three editors are jailed

Daily Mirror

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Labour MPs attack 'act of revenge'

Daily Telegraph

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Angry MPs join the wave of protest

**Oz sentences —
Labour MPs sign protest**

Daily Express

**MPs condemn OZ
gaolings as 'Establishment
revenge'**

The Guardian

**Demonstrations and protests
against 'Oz' jail sentences**

The Times

**'Shocked
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protest:
It looks
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COMMENT

Personal reactions —
Kenneth Tynan, of "On! Calcutta": "Battle has been joined between Judge Angier, England and a Free England."
Mrs. Mary Whitehouse, TV campaigner: "It is a very good thing the law has been drawn."
John Lennon called it all "disgusting fascism."
Lord Soper, thought the verdict was right but the sentence "savage."
Kingsley Amis, author, member of Lord Longford's committee on pornography: "My instinct is to cheer anything nasty that might happen to this unsavoury trio. At the same time nobody should be sent to prison for obscenity — whatever that is."
John Trevelyan, former MP, censor: "I have seen Oz and I don't like it. But I think the sentences are much too severe in relation to the offences."
John Braine, author, said he had no sympathy with Oz, but "I don't see why these people should be singled out for this severe treatment."
Mick Jagger: "If there has been a moral crime committed it is by police and the judge."
Organisations joined in: —
● National Council for Civil Liberties: "The sentences are 'savage and vindictive.'"
● The Young Liberals described it as "a sordid and smug little political trial."
● The Haldane Society of progressive lawyers "said the case will bring the law into disrepute."

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Ampex has released an album that should delight the many movie soundtrack buffs who can't afford to buy a huge classical record collection. Classic Film Themes (Ampex A10129 Stereo), its called and its quite a gem if you're into reflection music. The album is performed by the Rome Philharmonic conducted and produced by Ettore Stratta and Jim Frey.

The album has selected soundtrack cuts from four recent movies. From *Elvira Madigan* Mozart's *Piano Concerto No. 21-Andante* and Vivaldi's *The Four Seasons: Winter*. From *Death in Venice* Mahler's *Symphony No. 5 Adagietto*. From *The Anonymous Venetian* Marcello's *Concerto for Oboe in D Minor: Adagio*. From *Five Easy Pieces*, Chopin's *Prelude in E Minor Op. 28*. From *The Music Lovers* Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 6 in B Minor: Andante*. And, of course from *2001: A Space Odyssey* Strauss's *The Blue Danube*. Three soloists, Gastone Chiarini on oboe, Silvestro Catachhio on violin and Nicolas Flagello at the piano, lead their respective talents to this collection very well...

"Classic Film Themes" may not be material for a lot of people in my peer group but I was able to relax with it and for awhile it enabled me to forget Chicago's cacophony and brutality. Such relief, like this L.P. should not be written off in my opinion. It only makes sense to relax when possible from the ratrace that we're so accustomed to everyday...

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Uncle Martin

Go Ride The Music

It's been a long wait, but it's here. Bark by the Jefferson Airplane arrived on one of those slow, depressing Saturdays and helped to brighten things up... Bark comes in an interesting package: a plain brown paper bag with an instructive poem demonstrating it's many possible uses, lyrics on the flip side of the poem, and an album sleeve that looks like what Mom used to bring home from the butcher—a brown bundle with a fish sticking out...

As of this writing I've heard Bark all the way through about five times...and it sounds just as good as it matures in my memory. When the Earth Moves Again is Paul Kantner at his best:

"...If you've only lived on Earth you've never seen the sun or the promise of a thousand other suns that glow beyond here.."

Feel so Good is Jorma Kaukonen's putting someone on a pedestal tune:

"ain't no lie/if you go/ I won't die/sure won't grow"

Okay....I guess. Crazy Miranda is apparently Grace's putdown of the stereotyped woman who "believes everything she reads..." i.e. playing dumb, etc. The great piano work joined by that famous science fiction lead guitar and Covington's driving beat; it all holds together well. Miranda is Lather's sister. Or is Grace trying to tell us something? Pretty as you feel is a beautiful song. The harmony seemed to grow on me. Its moral is what you are comes from the inside... Wild Turkey is the instrumental. Jorma's versatility comes in here. Spacey. Good stuff.

Side two. Law Man bites:

"Law man-I'm afraid you just walked in here at the wrong time my old man's gun has never been fired but there's a first time..."

It's so trite to say "right on," but it's true in this case. Third Week in Chelsea

REVIEWS



starts to confirm the rumor of the Airplane breaking up:

"all my friends keep telling me it would be a shame to break up such a grand success and tear apart a name but all I know is what I feel when I'm not playing and emptiness ain't where it's at and neither's feeling pain."

Facts change from minute to minute. Let me know if you hear or can confirm something new about the group. Never Argue With a German If You're Tired or European Song is material for the German office of the MDDA. Stop. Please rush translation. End. The form on this cut is eery and imaginative. Danke Grace...

Thunk just knocks me out. It's barbershop Zappese.

"well I thunk thunk thunk a lot about it realized my thunk is nothin' but a lot of funk."

Hilareous but beautiful ... War Movie is what comes after Volunteers or We Can Be Together:

"in 1975 all my people rose from the countryside until we meet again and touch our hands together in another land."

War Movies introduction, an electronic prelude, sets the tune up as some sort of new youth anthem about freaks, etc. coming together against the government. And it comes across powerfully.

On the whole Bark is refreshing, an L.P. full of harmonies and surprises, the Airplane coming closer as a tight group where nobody gets drowned vocally or musically. Perhaps Marty Balin's departure brought this out. Anyway, the last word on this album can be nothing less than a big WOW ...and all you Airplane fans and not-so-fans can act accordingly. Go ride the music...

Uncle Martin

FLASH! NEWS OF LIVING THEATRE!

The Living Theatre has been released! On August 27, thirteen members of the famed anarchist theatre group were freed and expelled from Brazil by order of President Emilio G. Medici. Letters and telegrams from around the world had poured into Brazil demanding their release from jail on trumped up dope charges—they worked. The group was imprisoned for two months after being arrested in the town of Ouro Preto where they were rehearsing and putting together a new play called The Legacy of Cain. While in prison there were rumors of group members being tortured, but upon release Judith Malina and Julian Beck quickly denied them, as well as their having any dope when arrested.

Apparently work on Legacy will resume when the theatre finds a country more receptive to their peaceful free-form life style and ideas.

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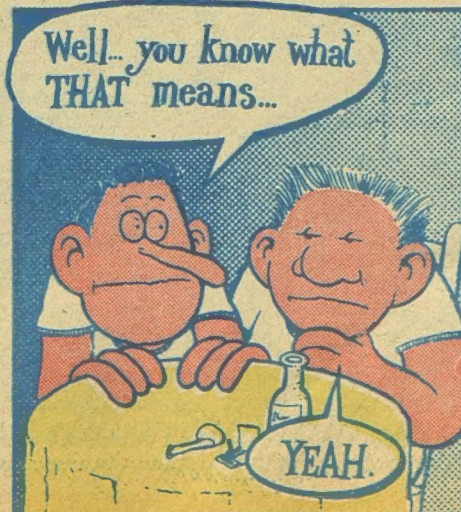
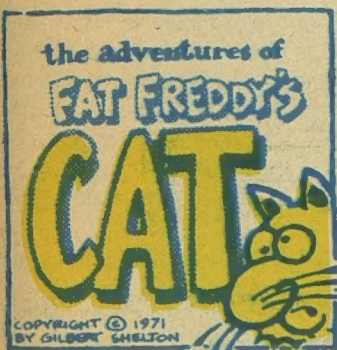
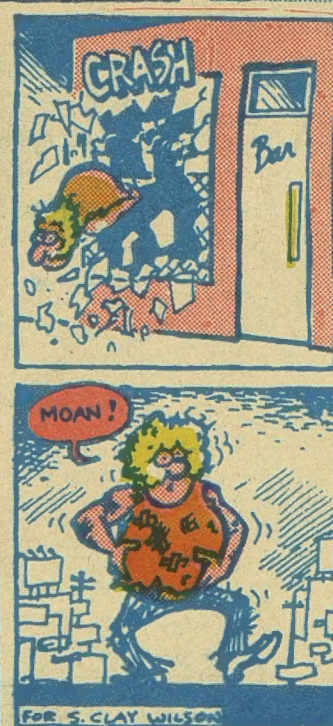
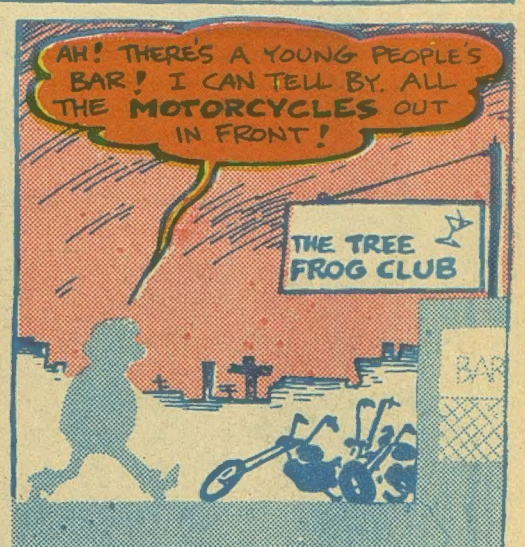
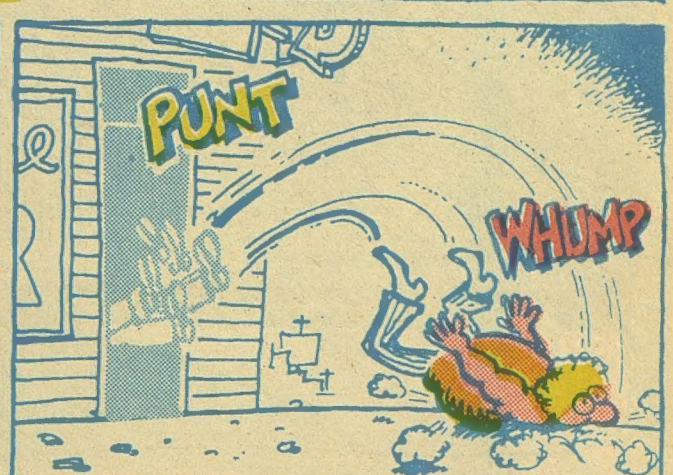
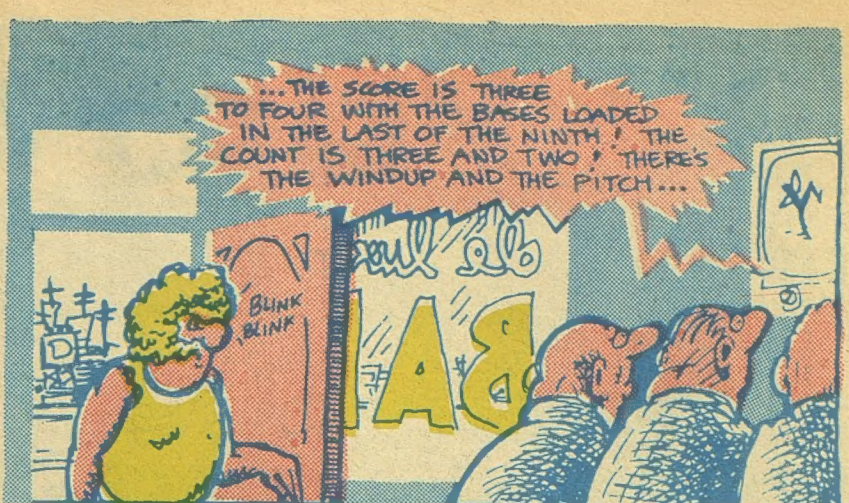
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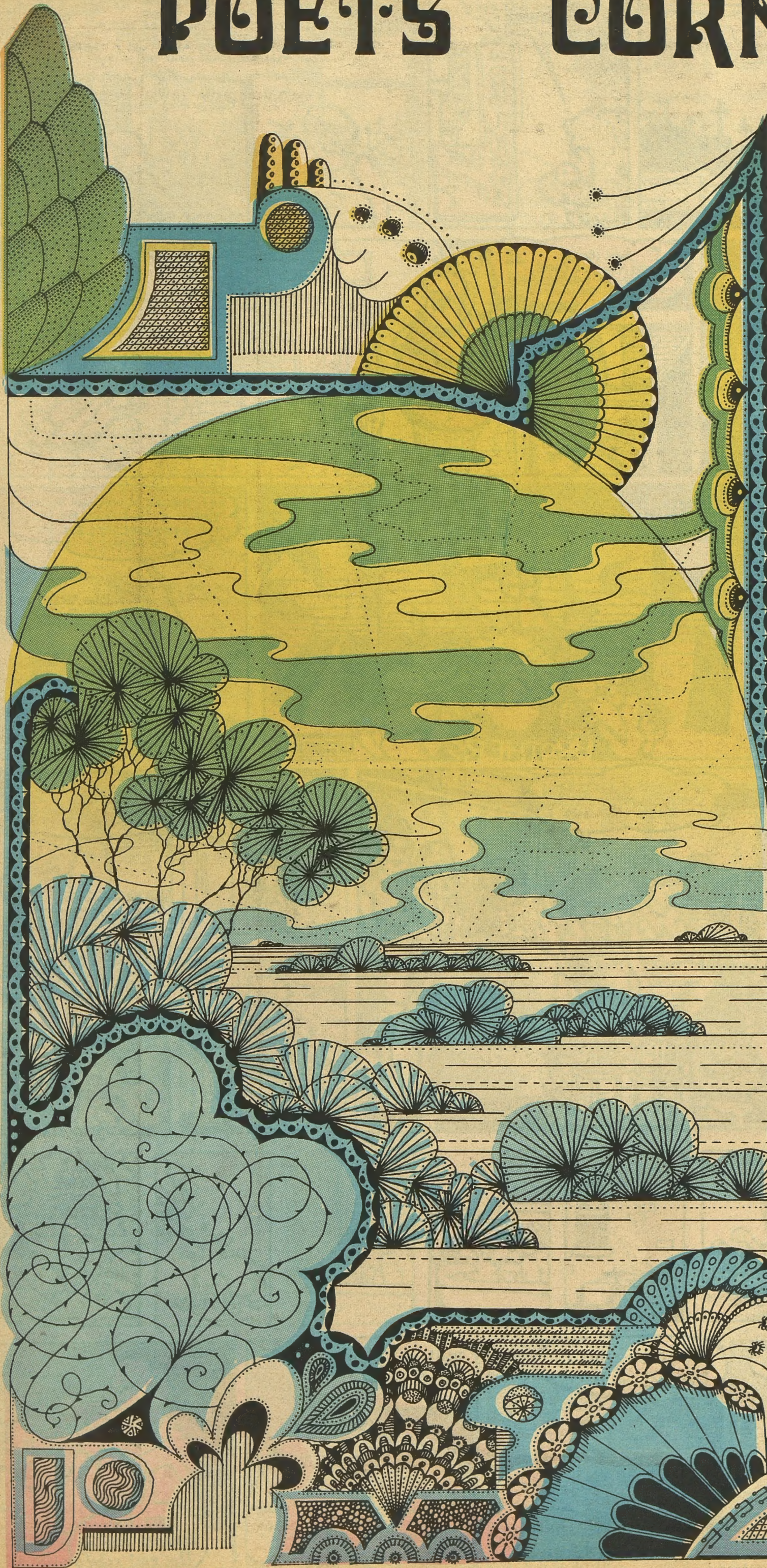
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In the silence
Of the night
Memories cast their shadows
past the down,
unto one sunset,
sunrise, back,
into the times that were
past what was,
drifting wistfully,
onto what is

Gail

They are a lot of gentle people
Love to have a good time,
Love to sip their May wine
While the Music swirls around their head
Sets their feet to tapping time.

But the man keep telling them:
"Save your money,
Think about the future,
Plan for stormy weather,
Get a formal education"
(Proof of it on parchment). . .
Until you got a notary's mark
Instead of a heart.

Marie Malone

PEOPLE'S PARK POEM

The people's park snarls
from the c orner
of Armitage and Halsted
ferociously fought for
their kids
wrenched from putrid pigs
one square block
of mud
people's land
decorated with avant garde
tires in imitation
Picasso poses
of delicate metal
web consistency capturing
revolutionary creativity
relased/leashed in one
square block
of the people's land
to snarl away
the children
to
Public Playlot 636
next door.

larisa dacenko

FROG

The boy shoots the frog
in sport;
but the frog dies
in earnest.

If you ask a frog
what he thinks
of flags
he'll tell you.

Susan Dacenko

5-2

Anxiety that inspires
weekend baseball
invites revolution
for the rest of the week.

Gerry Glombecki

Heres a tip for the proper identification of Cannabis, from reliable Seed informant, Wally LaGrow.
Put the substance in question into a small funnel plugged with cotton. Add 5cc (one-thimblefull) of petroleum ether, (low boiling pt.) so that the liquid filters through the substance. Pour one half of this extract into a small dish and evaporate. Add to the evaporated portion a few drops of 1% solution (KOH) Potassium Hydroxide in alcohol, the residue should become purple in a minute or so, the color deepening with standing. Add to the other half in a test-tube approximately 1cc solution of Hydrochloric Acid (HCL) in alcohol and shake when settled the lower layer should be distinctively pink.

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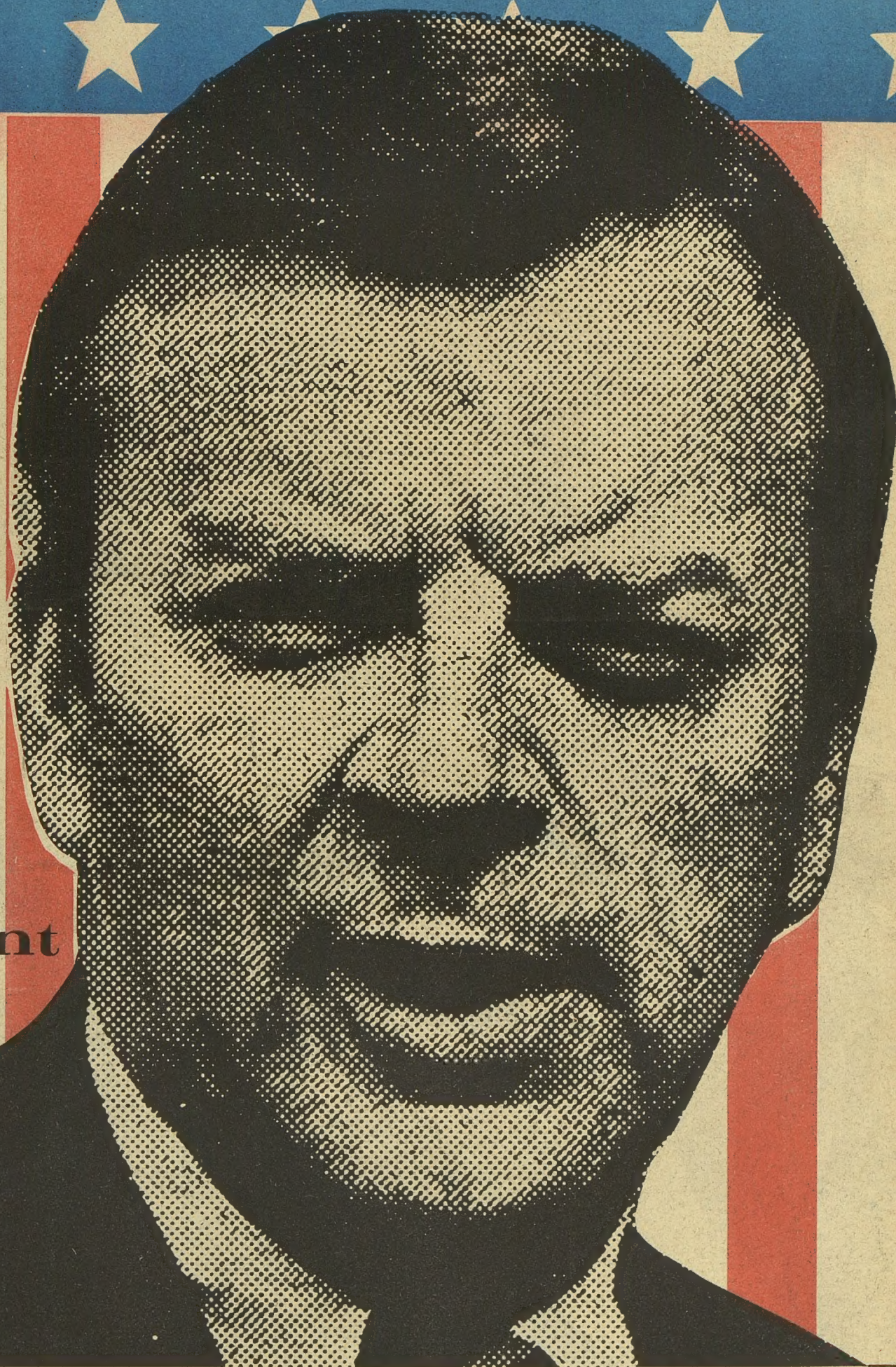
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